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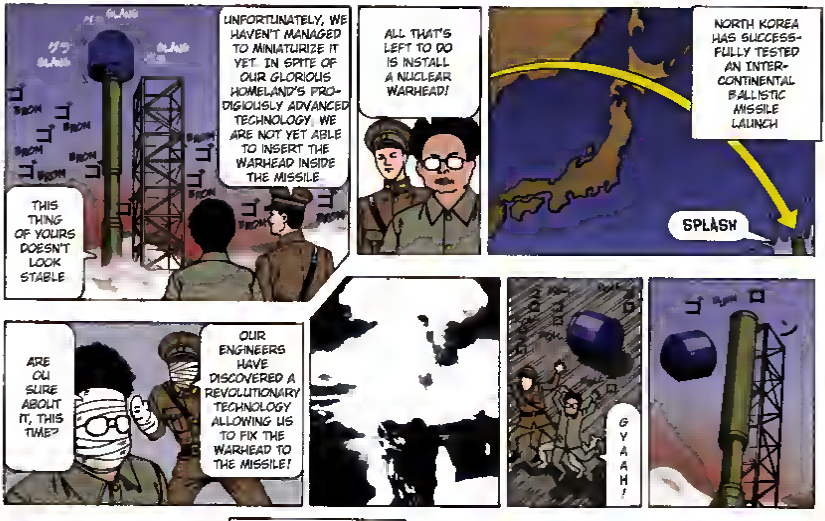
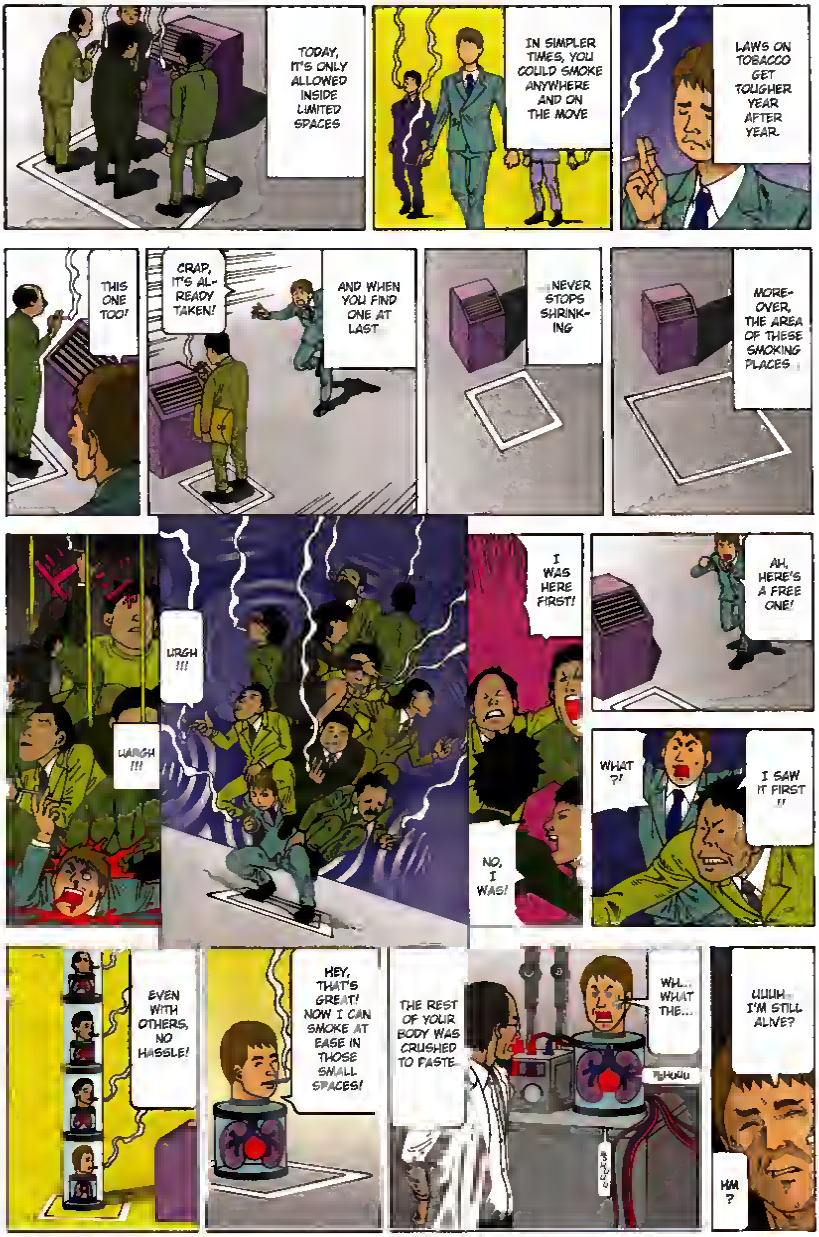
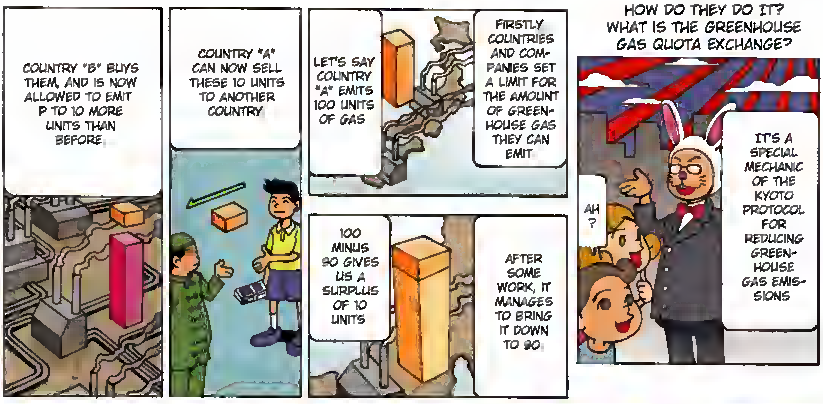

UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVEN'T MANAGED TO MINIATURIZE IT YET. IN SPITE OF OUR GLORIOUS HOMELAND'S PRODIGIOUSLY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, WE ARE NOT YET ABLE TO INSERT THE WARHEAD INSIDE THE MISSILE.
THIS THING OF YOURS DOESN'T LOOK STABLE
ALL THAT'S LEFT TO DO IS INSTALL A NUCLEAR WARHEAD!
NORTH KOREA HAS SUCCESSFULLY TESTED AN INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCH
SPLASH
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT IT, THIS TIME?
OUR ENGINEERS HAVE DISCOVERED A REVOLUTIONARY TECHNOLOGY ALLOWING US TO FIX THE WARHEAD TO THE MISSILE!
GYAAAH!

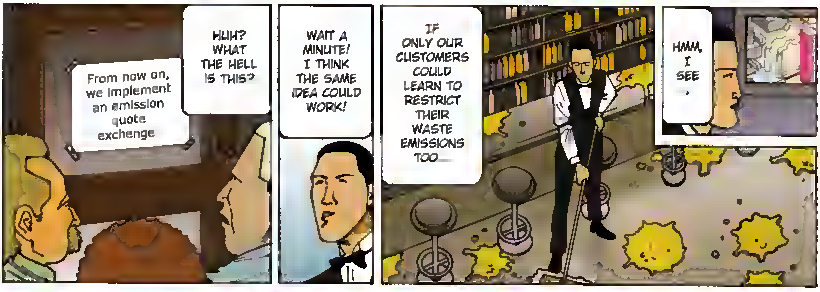
THANKS TO THE WIG ADHESIVE, THE NUCLEAR WARHEADS STICK TO THE MISSILES PERFECTLY! WE CAN NOW ORDER THE IGNITION! YIPEEE! HURRAH!
IT'S AN EXTRA STRONG GLUE INVENTED BY A JAPANESE WIG MAKER!
IT FOLLOWS ALL YOUR MOVES, INTO THE HEART OF THE ACTION!
IT CAN WITHSTAND GALLONS OF SWEAT!
IT DOESN'T SPILL, DOESN'T PEEL OFF! A FLAWLESS ADHESION FOR A CARE-FREE USE!

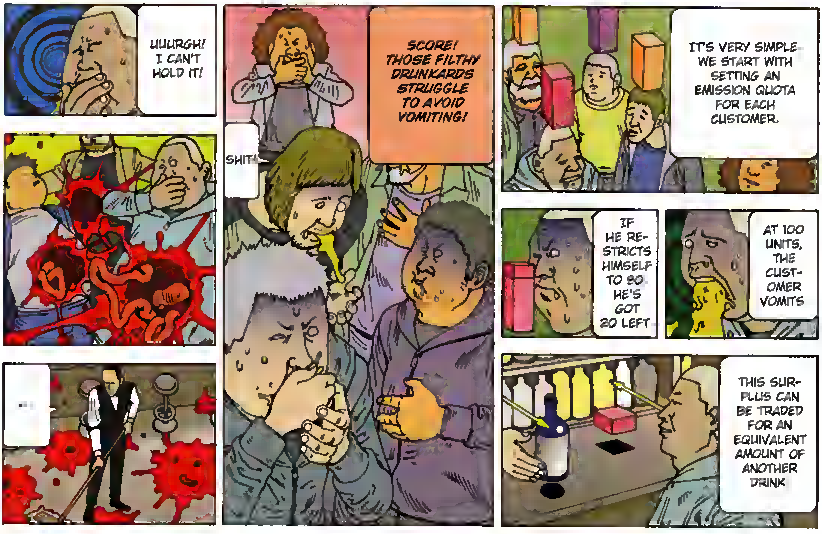
THE SMOKERS' AREA


TODAY, IT'S ONLY ALLOWED INSIDE LIMITED SPACES
IN SIMPLER TIMES, YOU COULD SMOKE ANYWHERE AND ON THE MOVE
LAWS ON TOBACCO GET TOUGHER YEAR AFTER YEAR.
THIS ONE TOO!
CRAP, IT'S ALREADY TAKEN!
AND WHEN YOU FIND ONE AT LAST
NEVER STOPS SHRINKING
MOREOVER, THE AREA OF THESE SMOKING PLACES
URGH !!!
URGH !!!
I WAS HERE FIRST!
NO, I WAS!
AH, HERE'S A FREE ONE!
WHAT ?!
I SAW IT FIRST !!
EVEN WITH OTHERS, NO HASSLE!
HEY, THAT'S GREAT! NOW I CAN SMOKE AT EASE IN THOSE SMALL SPACES!
THE REST OF YOUR BODY WAS CRUSHED TO PASTE.
WH... WHAT THE...
UUUH
UUUH... I'M STILL ALIVE?
HM ?

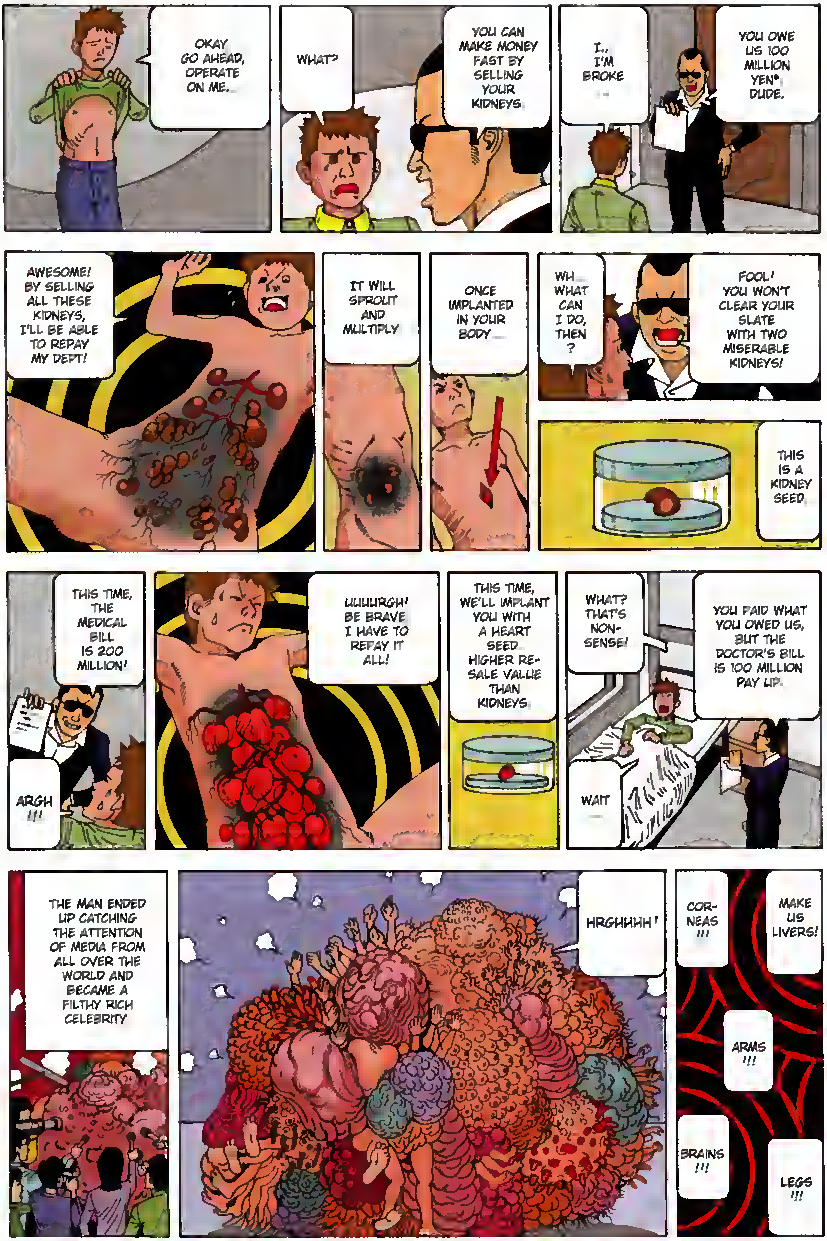
THE GREENHOUSE GAS QUOTA EXCHANGE


FIRSTLY COUNTRIES AND COMPANIES SET A LIMIT FOR THE AMOUNT OF GREENHOUSE GAS THEY CAN EMIT
LET'S SAY COUNTRY "A" EMITS 100 UNITS OF GAS
100 MINUS 90 GIVES US A SURPLUS OF 10 UNITS
AFTER SOME WORK, IT MANAGES TO BRING IT DOWN TO 90
COUNTRY "A" CAN NOW SELL THESE 10 UNITS TO ANOTHER COUNTRY
COUNTRY "B" BUYS THEM, AND IS NOW ALLOWED TO EMIT P TO 10 MORE UNITS THAN BEFORE
HOW DO THEY DO IT? WHAT IS THE GREENHOUSE GAS QUOTA EXCHANGE?
AH ?
IT'S A SPECIAL MECHANIC OF THE KYOTO PROTOCOL FOR REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS


From now on, we implement an emission quote exchenge
HUH? WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?
WAIT A MINUTE! I THINK THE SAME IDEA COULD WORK!
IF ONLY OUR CUSTOMERS COULD LEARN TO RESTRICT THEIR WASTE EMISSIONS TOO...
HMM, I SEE


UUURGH! I CAN'T HOLD IT!
SCORE! THOSE FILTHY DRUNKARDS STRUGGLE TO AVOID VOMITING!
SHIT!
IT'S VERY SIMPLE. WE START WITH SETTING AN EMISSION QUOTA FOR EACH CUSTOMER.
IF HE RESTRICTS HIMSELF TO 80, HE'S GOT 20 LEFT
AT 100 UNITS, THE CUSTOMER VOMITS
THIS SURPLUS CAN BE TRADED FOR AN EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF ANOTHER DRINK

ORGAN TRAFFICKING


OKAY, GO AHEAD, OPERATE ON ME.
WHAT?
YOU CAN MAKE MONEY FAST BY SELLING YOUR KIDNEYS.
I.. I'M BROKE
YOU OWE US 100 MILLION YEN* DUDE.
AWESOME! BY SELLING ALL THESE KIDNEYS, I'LL BE ABLE TO REPAY MY DEPT!
IT WILL SPROUT AND MULTIPLY
ONCE IMPLANTED IN YOUR BODY...
WH... WHAT CAN I DO, THEN ?
FOOL! YOU WON'T CLEAR YOUR SLATE WITH TWO MISERABLE KIDNEYS!
THIS IS A KIDNEY SEED.
THIS TIME, THE MEDICAL BILL IS 200 MILLION!
ARGH !!!
UUUUURGH! BE BRAVE I HAVE TO REPAY IT ALL!
THIS TIME, WE'LL IMPLANT YOU WITH A HEART SEED. HIGHER RE-SALE VALUE THAN KIDNEYS.
WHAT? THAT'S NON-SENSE!
WAIT...
YOU PAID WHAT YOU OWED US, BUT THE DOCTOR'S BILL IS 100 MILLION PAY UP.
THE MAN ENDED UP CATCHING THE ATTENTION OF MEDIA FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND BECAME A FILTHY RICH CELEBRITY.
HRGHHHH!
COR-NEAS !!!
MAKE US LIVERS!
ARMS !!!
BRAINS !!!
LEGS !!!

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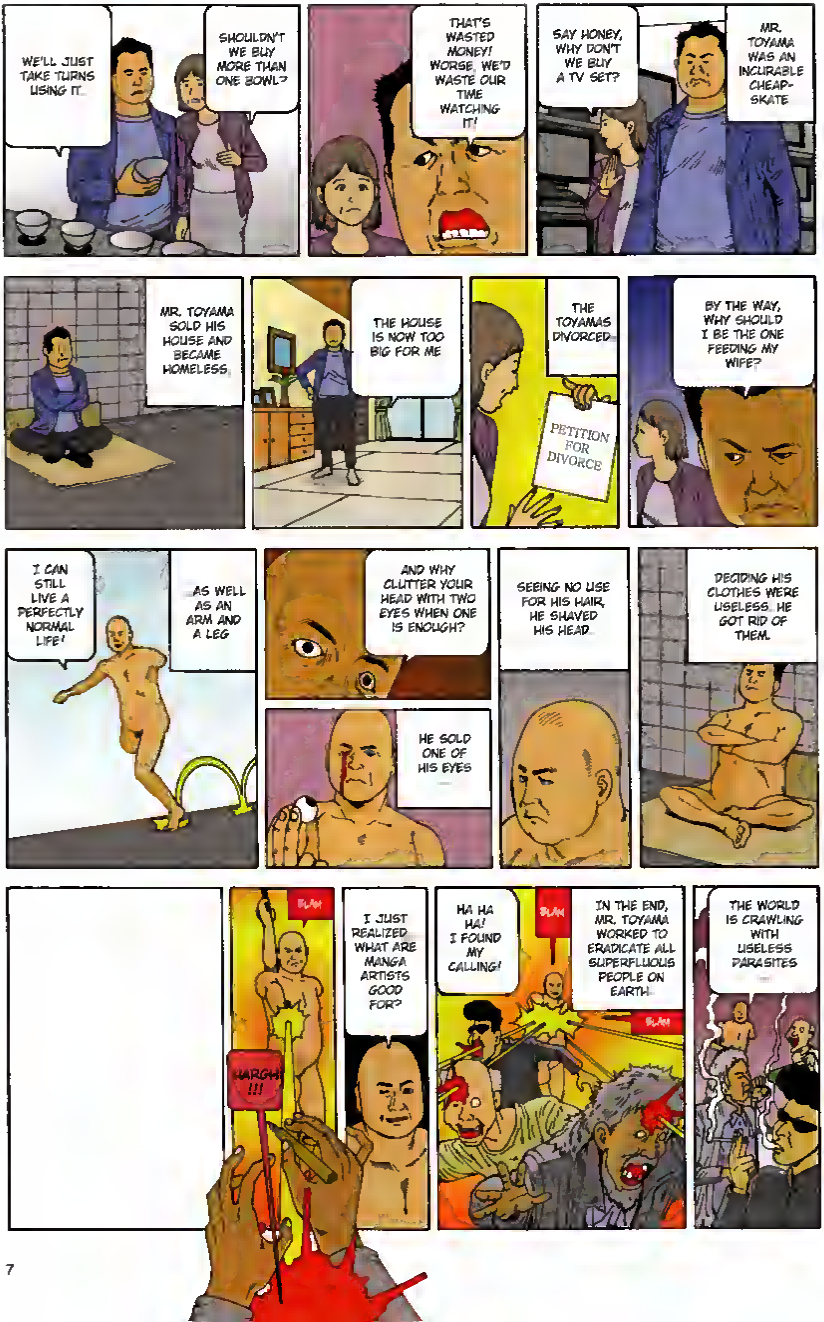
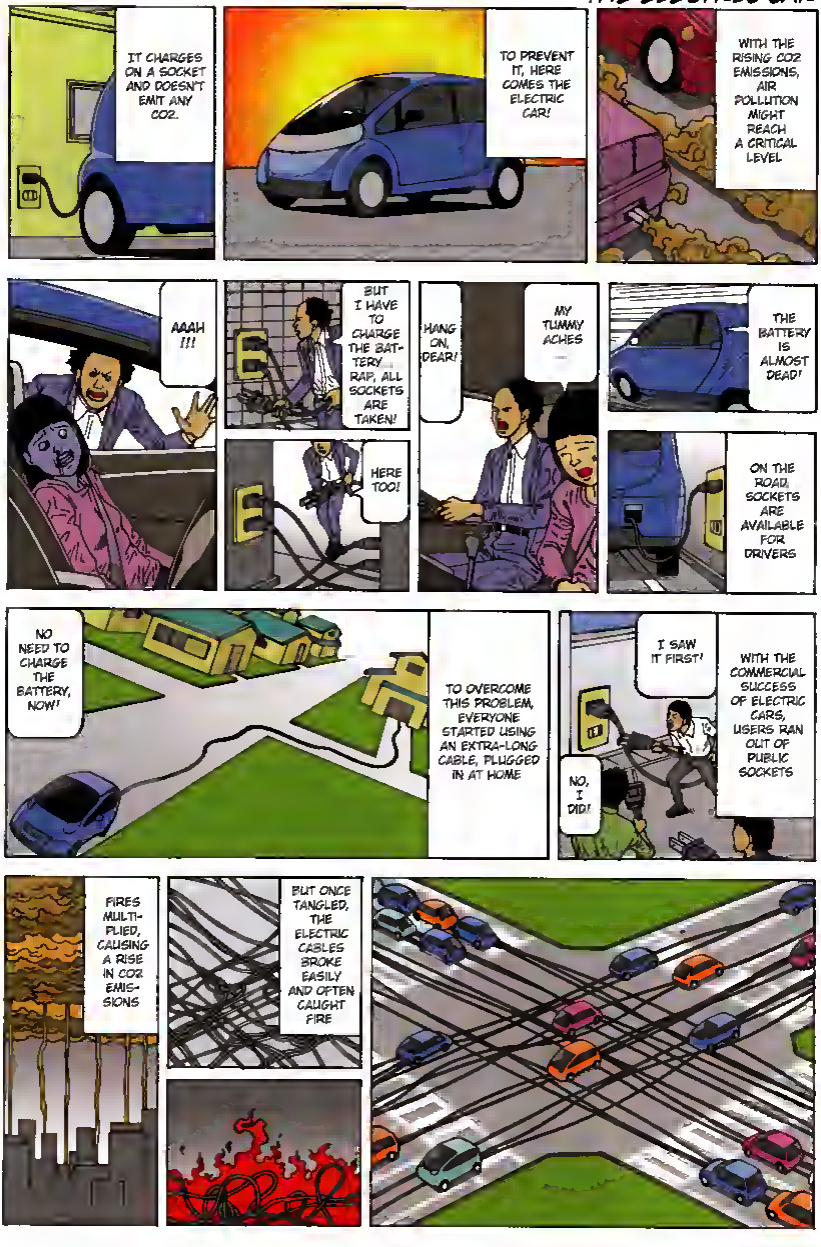
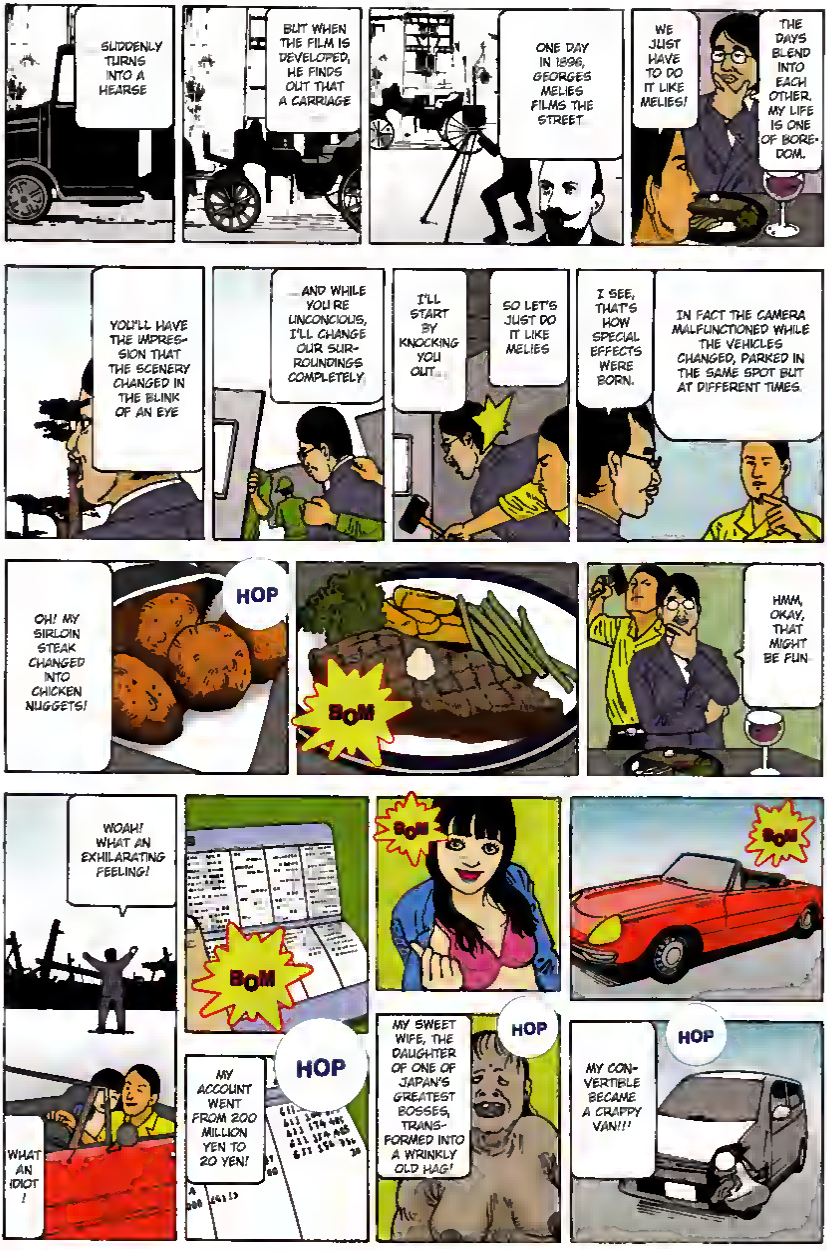
THE SMOKED MEAT DISPENSER

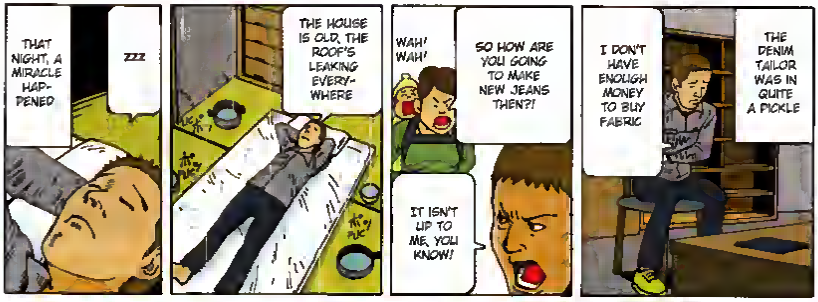
THE CHEAPSKATE

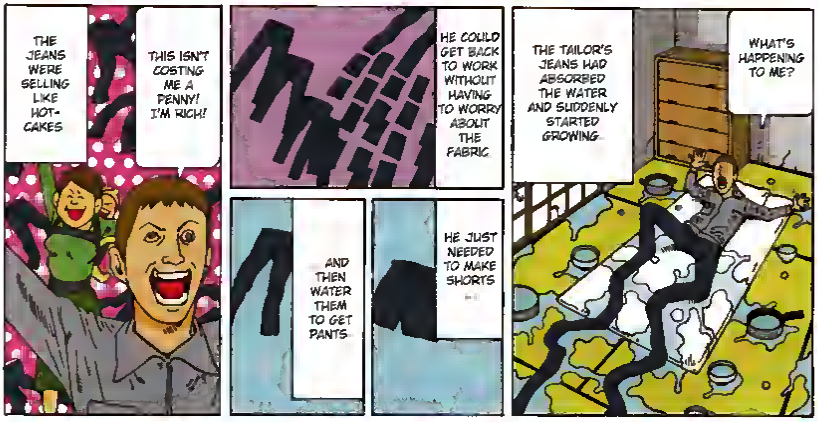

WE'LL JUST TAKE TURNS USING IT.
SHOULDN'T WE BUY MORE THAN ONE BOWL?
THAT'S WASTED MONEY! WORSE, WE'D WASTE OUR TIME WATCHING IT!
SAY HONEY, WHY DON'T WE BUY A TV SET?
MR. TOYAMA WAS AN INCURABLE CHEAP-SKATE
MR. TOYAMA SOLD HIS HOUSE AND BECAME HOMELESS.
THE HOUSE IS NOW TOO BIG FOR ME
THE TOYAMAS DIVORCED
PETITION FOR DIVORCE
BY THE WAY, WHY SHOULD I BE THE ONE FEEDING MY WIFE?
I CAN STILL LIVE A PERFECTLY NORMAL LIFE!
AS WELL AS AN ARM AND A LEG
AND WHY CLUTTER YOUR HEAD WITH TWO EYES WHEN ONE IS ENOUGH?
HE SOLD ONE OF HIS EYES
SEEING NO USE FOR HIS HAIR, HE SHAVED HIS HEAD.
DECIDING HIS CLOTHES WERE USELESS, HE GOT RID OF THEM.
BLAM
I JUST REALIZED WHAT ARE MANGA ARTISTS GOOD FOR?
HARGH!!!
HA HA HA! I FOUND MY CALLING!
BLAM
IN THE END, MR. TOYAMA WORKED TO ERADICATE ALL SUPERFLUOUS PEOPLE ON EARTH.
BLAM
THE WORLD IS CRAWLING WITH USELESS PARASITES


IT CHARGES ON A SOCKET AND DOESN'T EMIT ANY CO2.
TO PREVENT IT, HERE COMES THE ELECTRIC CAR!
WITH THE RISING CO2 EMISSIONS, AIR POLLUTION MIGHT REACH A CRITICAL LEVEL
AAAH !!!
BUT I HAVE TO CHARGE THE BATTERY... RAP, ALL SOCKETS ARE TAKEN!
HERE TOO!
HANG ON, DEAR!
MY TUMMY ACHES
THE BATTERY IS ALMOST DEAD!
ON THE ROAD, SOCKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR DRIVERS
NO NEED TO CHARGE THE BATTERY, NOW!
TO OVERCOME THIS PROBLEM, EVERYONE STARTED USING AN EXTRA-LONG CABLE, PLUGGED IN AT HOME
I SAW IT FIRST!
NO, I DID!
WITH THE COMMERCIAL SUCCESS OF ELECTRIC CARS, USERS RAN OUT OF PUBLIC SOCKETS
FIRES MULTIPLIED, CAUSING A RISE IN CO2 EMISSIONS
BUT ONCE TANGLED, THE ELECTRIC CABLES BROKE EASILY AND OFTEN CAUGHT FIRE

PLAY IT LIKE MELIES

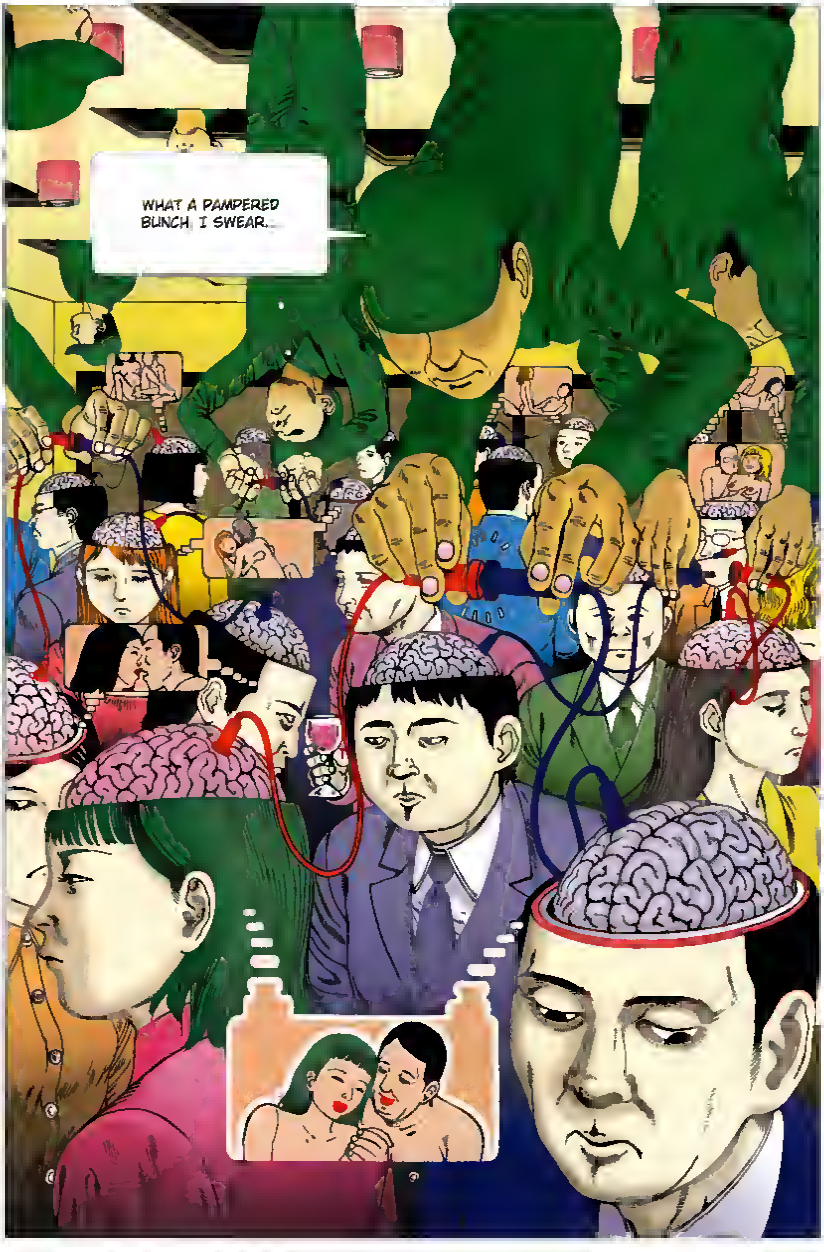

SUDDENLY TURNS INTO A HEARSE
BUT WHEN THE FILM IS DEVELOPED, HE FINDS OUT THAT A CARRIAGE
ONE DAY IN 1896, GEORGES MELIES FILMS THE STREET
WE JUST HAVE TO DO IT LIKE MELIES!
THE DAYS BLEND INTO EACH OTHER. MY LIFE IS ONE OF BOREDOM.
YOU'LL HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE SCENERY CHANGED IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE
...AND WHILE YOU'RE UNCONCIOUS, I'LL CHANGE OUR SURROUNDINGS COMPLETELY.
I'LL START BY KNOCKING YOU OUT...
SO LET'S JUST DO IT LIKE MELIES
I SEE, THAT'S HOW SPECIAL EFFECTS WERE BORN.
IN FACT THE CAMERA MALFUNCTIONED WHILE THE VEHICLES CHANGED, PARKED IN THE SAME SPOT BUT AT DIFFERENT TIMES.
OH! MY SIRLOIN STEAK CHANGED INTO CHICKEN NUGGETS!
HOP
BOM
HMM, OKAY, THAT MIGHT BE FUN
WOAH! WHAT AN EXHILARATING FEELING!
WHAT AN IDIOT!
BOM
MY ACCOUNT WENT FROM 200 MILLION YEN TO 20 YEN!
HOP
BOM
MY SWEET WIFE, THE DAUGHTER OF ONE OF JAPAN'S GREATEST BOSSES, TRANSFORMED INTO A WRINKLY OLD HAG!
HOP
BOM
MY CONVERTIBLE BECAME A CRAPPY VAN!!!
HOP

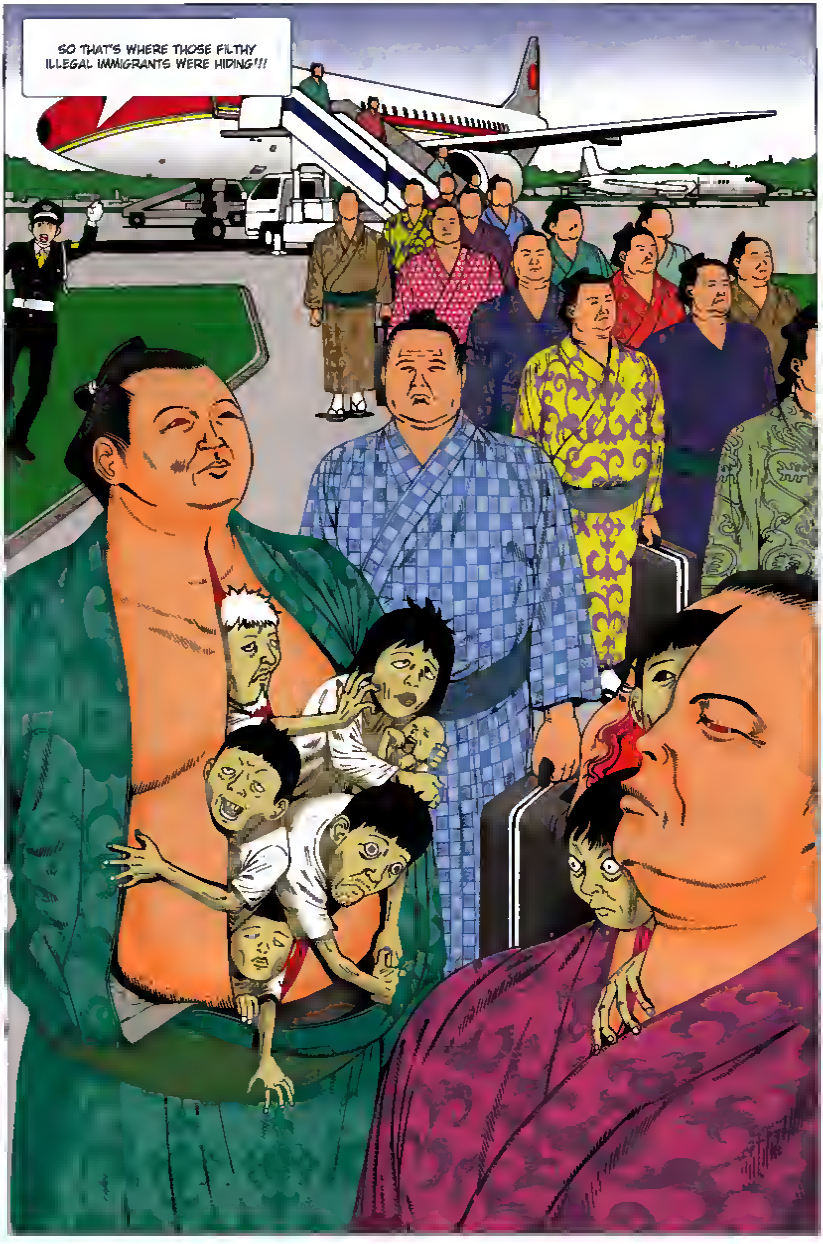

THAT NIGHT, A MIRACLE HAP-PENED
ZZZ
THE HOUSE IS OLD, THE ROOF'S LEAKING EVERY-WHERE
WAH! WAH!
SO HOW ARE YOU GOING TO MAKE NEW JEANS THEN?!
IT ISN'T UP TO ME, YOU KNOW!
I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY FABRIC
THE DENIM TAILOR WAS IN QUITE A PICKLE

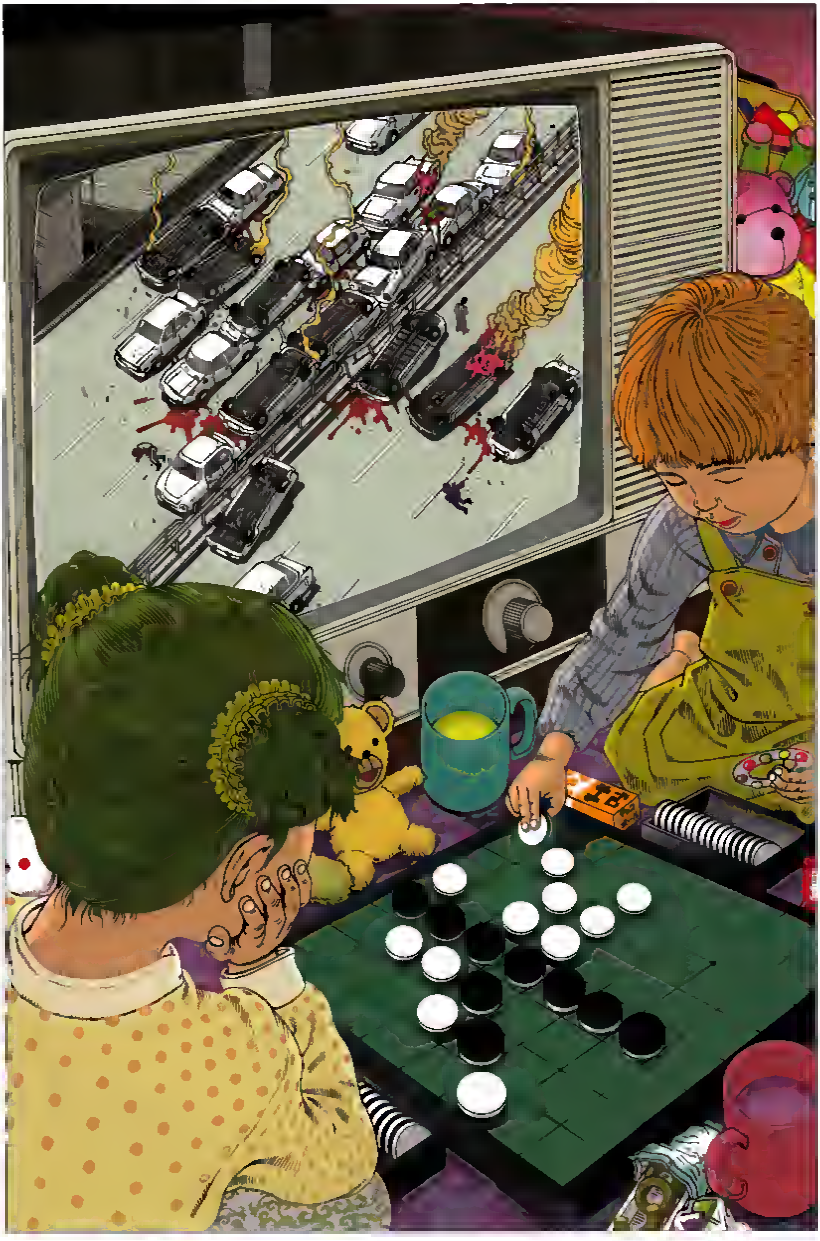

THE JEANS WERE SELLING LIKE HOT-CAKES
THIS ISN'T COSTING ME A PENNY! I'M RICH!
HE COULD GET BACK TO WORK WITHOUT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT THE FABRIC
AND THEN WATER THEM TO GET PANTS
HE JUST NEEDED TO MAKE SHORTS
THE TAILOR'S JEANS HAD ABSORBED THE WATER AND SUDDENLY STARTED GROWING
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?

THE OTHERS FOLLOWED ITS EXAMPLE AND SOON A FOREST WAS BORN
TO FIND WATER, THE JEANS HAD SPREAD ROOTS DEEP INTO THE SOIL.
SHIT! THEY'RE TOO TIGHT! I CAN'T GET THEM OFF!
MY JEANS ARE PLUNGING INTO THE EARTH
?
WHAT IS IT?

SPEED DATING FOR INTROVERTS




SO THAT'S WHERE THOSE FILTHY ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WERE HIDING!!!



THE GODDESS KANNON WORKS A PART TIME JOB

HELLO, IT'S THE COFFIN MERCHANT! HERE ARE THE HUNDRED COFFINS YOU ORDERED!
FUCK! I MADE A MISTAKE IN THE ORDER.
I MIGHT AS WELL USE THEM, NO POINT IN LETTING THEM GO TO WASTE!

GOOD FOR SHIPPING
FILLING
SKWIK
SKWIK
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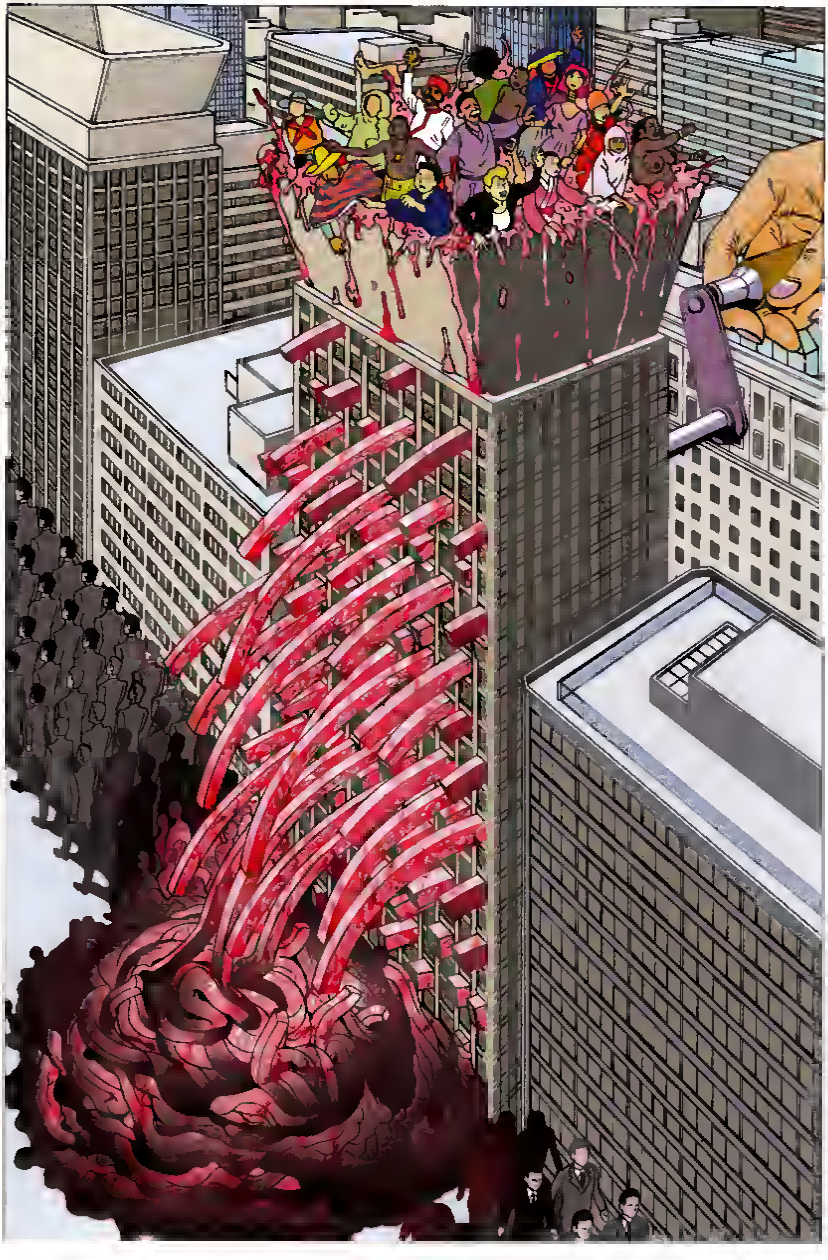
SKWIK

SOCIAL MIXING



胡島
AGOSHIMA
南鹿原

WAH
WAH
WAH
WAH
SO THIS IS HOW TANKS ARE MADE

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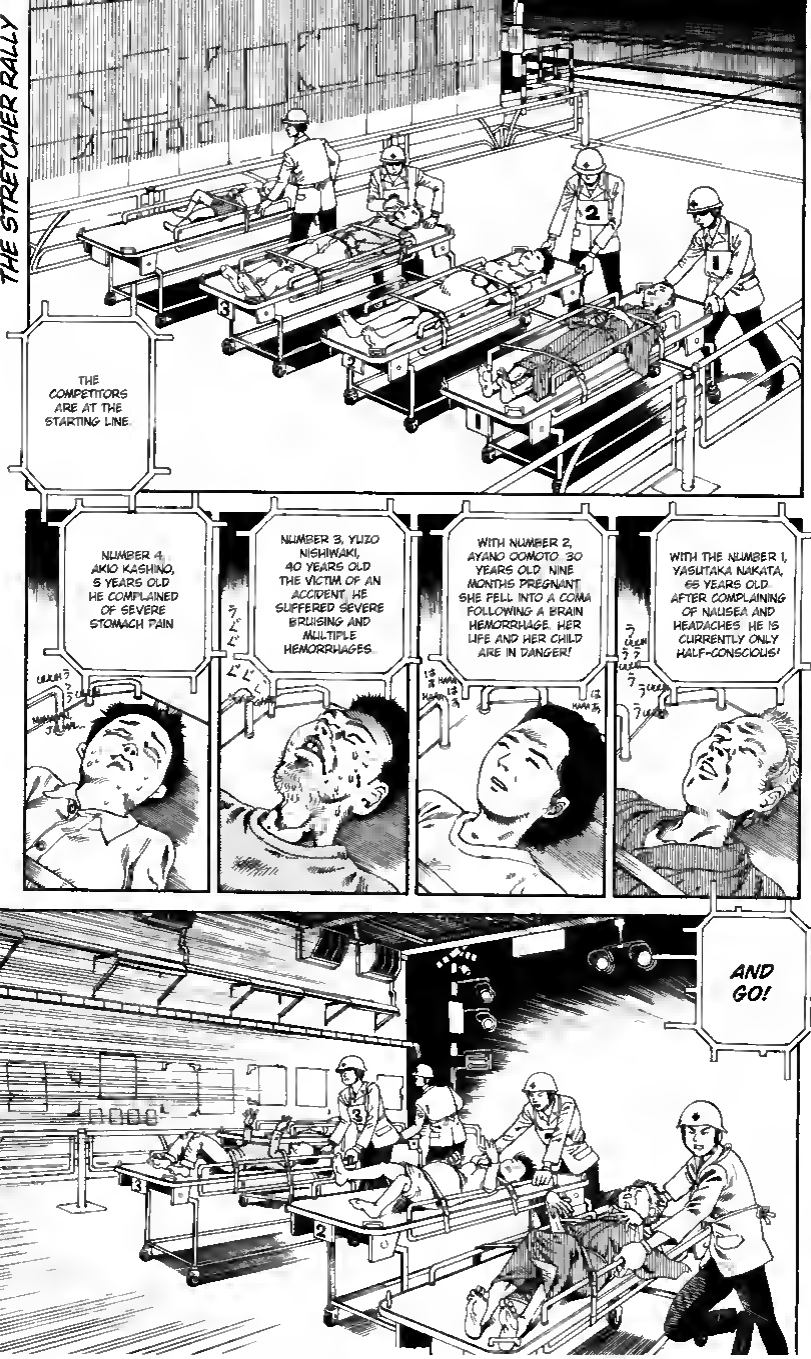
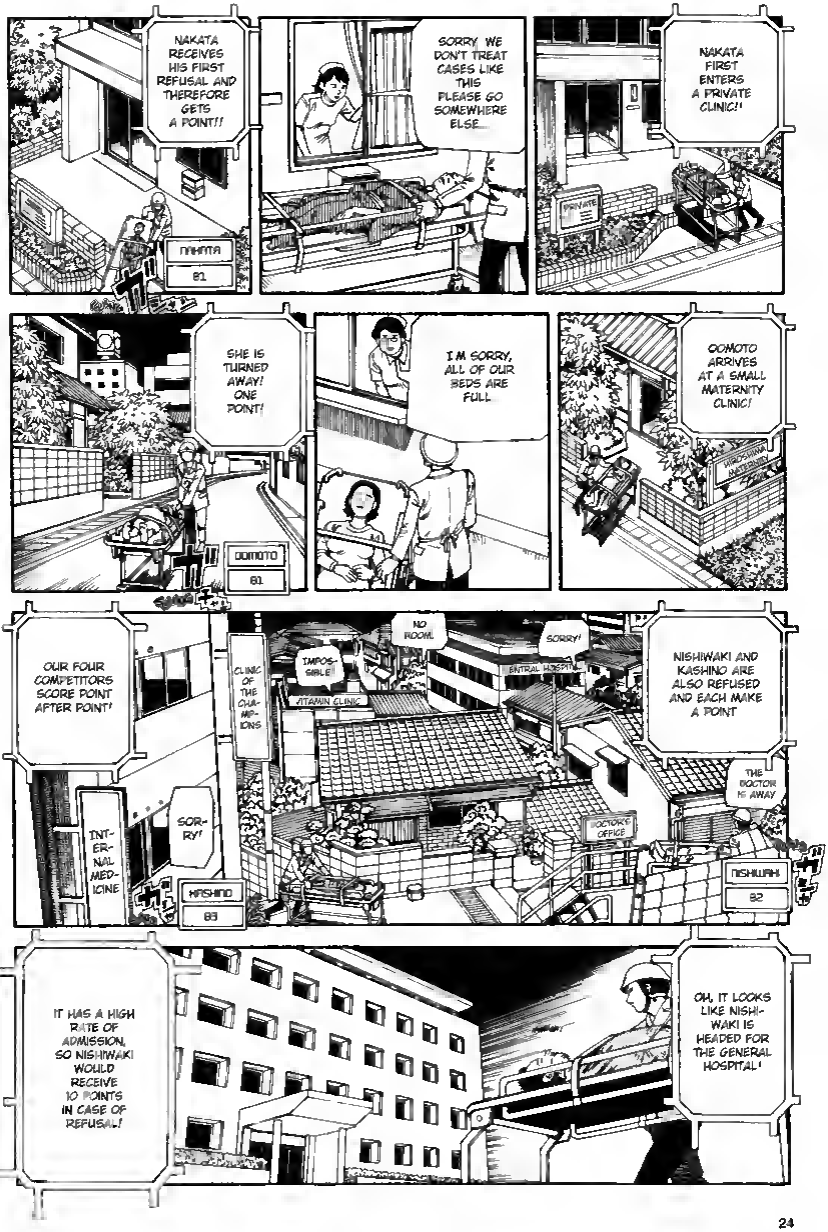
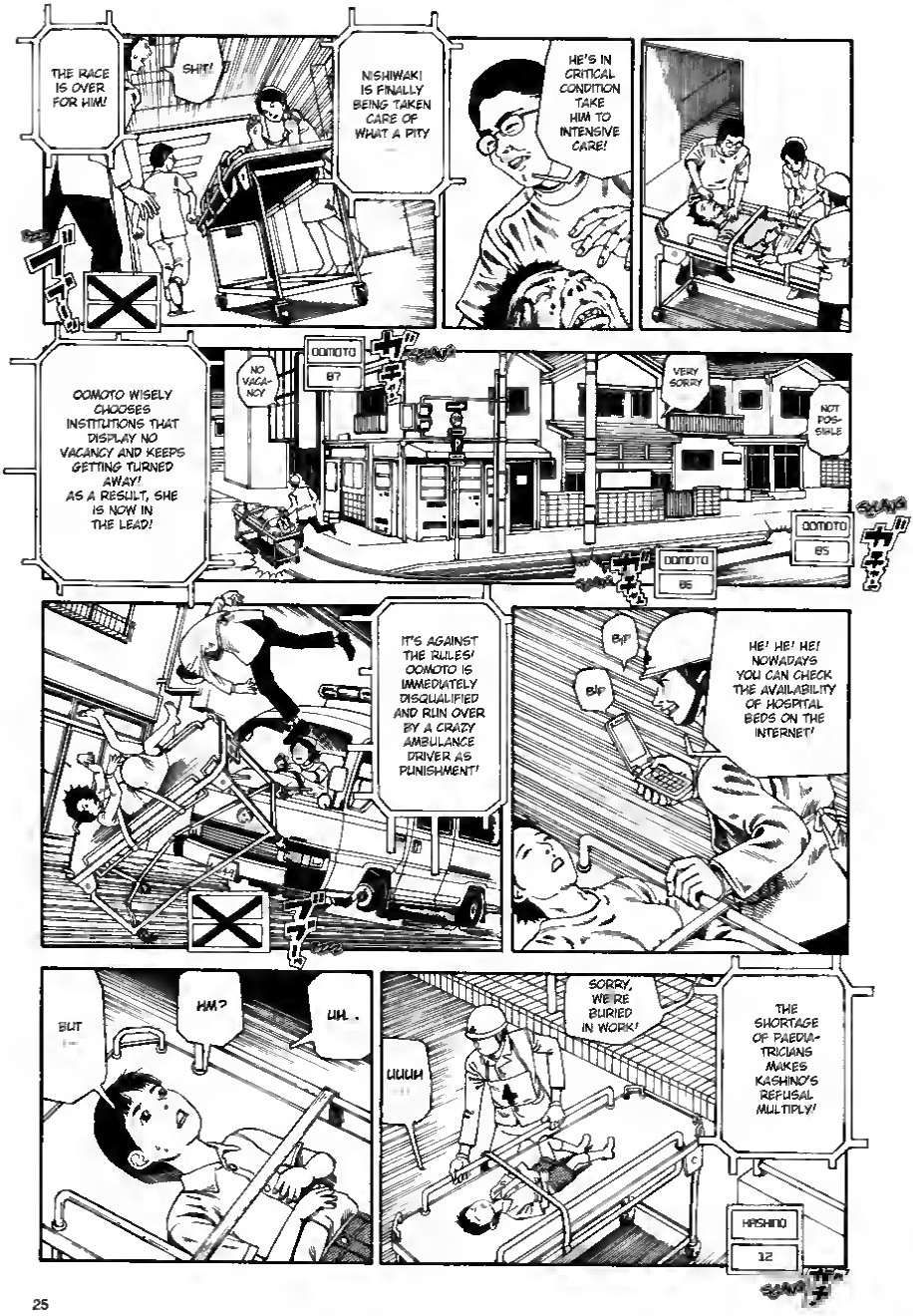

THE COMPETITORS ARE AT THE STARTING LINE.
NUMBER 4, AKIO KASHINO, 5 YEARS OLD HE COMPLAINED OF SEVERE STOMACH PAIN
NUMBER 3, YUZO NISHIWAKI, 40 YEARS OLD THE VICTIM OF AN ACCIDENT. HE SUFFERED SEVERE BRUISING AND MULTIPLE HEMORRHAGES.
WITH NUMBER 2, AYANO OOMOTO. 30 YEARS OLD. NINE MONTHS PREGNANT. SHE FELL INTO A COMA FOLLOWING A BRAIN HEMORRHAGE. HER LIFE AND HER CHILD ARE IN DANGER!
WITH THE NUMBER 1, YASUTAKA NAKATA, 65 YEARS OLD. AFTER COMPLAINING OF NAUSEA AND HEADACHES. HE IS CURRENTLY ONLY HALF-CONSCIOUS!
AND GO!

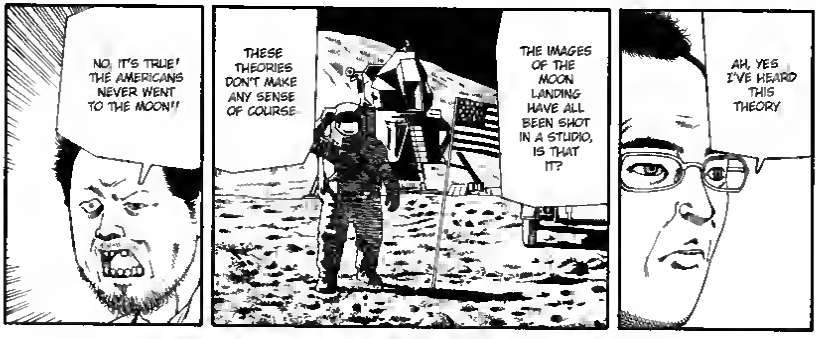

NAKATA RECEIVES HIS FIRST REFUSAL AND THEREFORE GETS A POINT!!
NAKATA
81
SORRY, WE DON'T TREAT CASES LIKE THIS PLEASE GO SOMEWHERE ELSE...
NAKATA FIRST ENTERS A PRIVATE CLINIC!!
PRIVATE
SHE IS TURNED AWAY! ONE POINT!
ODMOTO
81
I'M SORRY, ALL OF OUR BEDS ARE FULL
ODMOTO ARRIVES AT A SMALL MATERNITY CLINIC!
OUR FOUR COMPETITORS SCORE POINT AFTER POINT!
INTERNAL MEDICINE
SORRY!
KASHINO
83
CLINIC OF THE CHAMPIONS
IMPOSSIBLE!
VITAMIN CLINIC
NO ROOM!
SORRY!
ENTRAL HOSPITAL
NISHIWAKI AND KASHINO ARE ALSO REFUSED AND EACH MAKE A POINT
THE DOCTOR IS AWAY
DOCTOR'S OFFICE
NISHIWAKI
82
IT HAS A HIGH RATE OF ADMISSION, SO NISHIWAKI WOULD RECEIVE 10 POINTS IN CASE OF REFUSAL!
OH, IT LOOKS LIKE NISHIWAKI IS HEADED FOR THE GENERAL HOSPITAL!

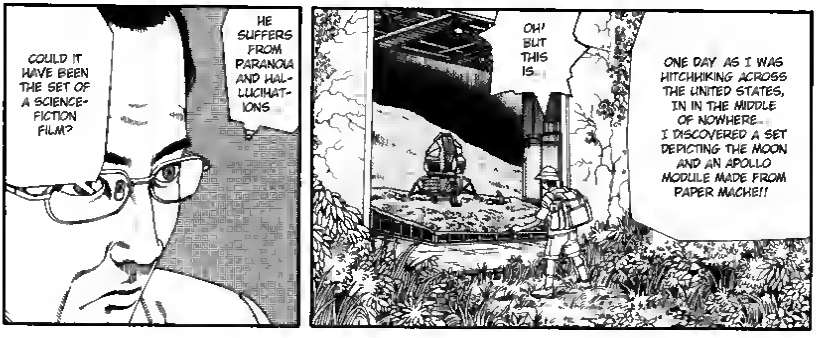

THE RACE IS OVER FOR HIM!
SHIT!
NISHIWAKI IS FINALLY BEING TAKEN CARE OF WHAT A PITY
HE'S IN CRITICAL CONDITION TAKE HIM TO INTENSIVE CARE!
OOMOTO WISELY CHOOSES INSTITUTIONS THAT DISPLAY NO VACANCY AND KEEPS GETTING TURNED AWAY! AS A RESULT, SHE IS NOW IN THE LEAD!
OOMOTO
87
NO VACA-NCY
VERY SORRY
NOT POS-SIBLE
OOMOTO
85
OOMOTO
86
IT'S AGAINST THE RULES! OOMOTO IS IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED AND RUN OVER BY A CRAZY AMBULANCE DRIVER AS PUNISHMENT!
BIP
BIP
HE! HE! HE! NOWADAYS YOU CAN CHECK THE AVAILABILITY OF HOSPITAL BEDS ON THE INTERNET!
BUT
HM?
UH. .
UUUH
SORRY, WE'RE BURIED IN WORK!
THE SHORTAGE OF PAEDIA-TRICIANS MAKES KASHINO'S REFUSAL MULTIPLY!
KASHINO
12

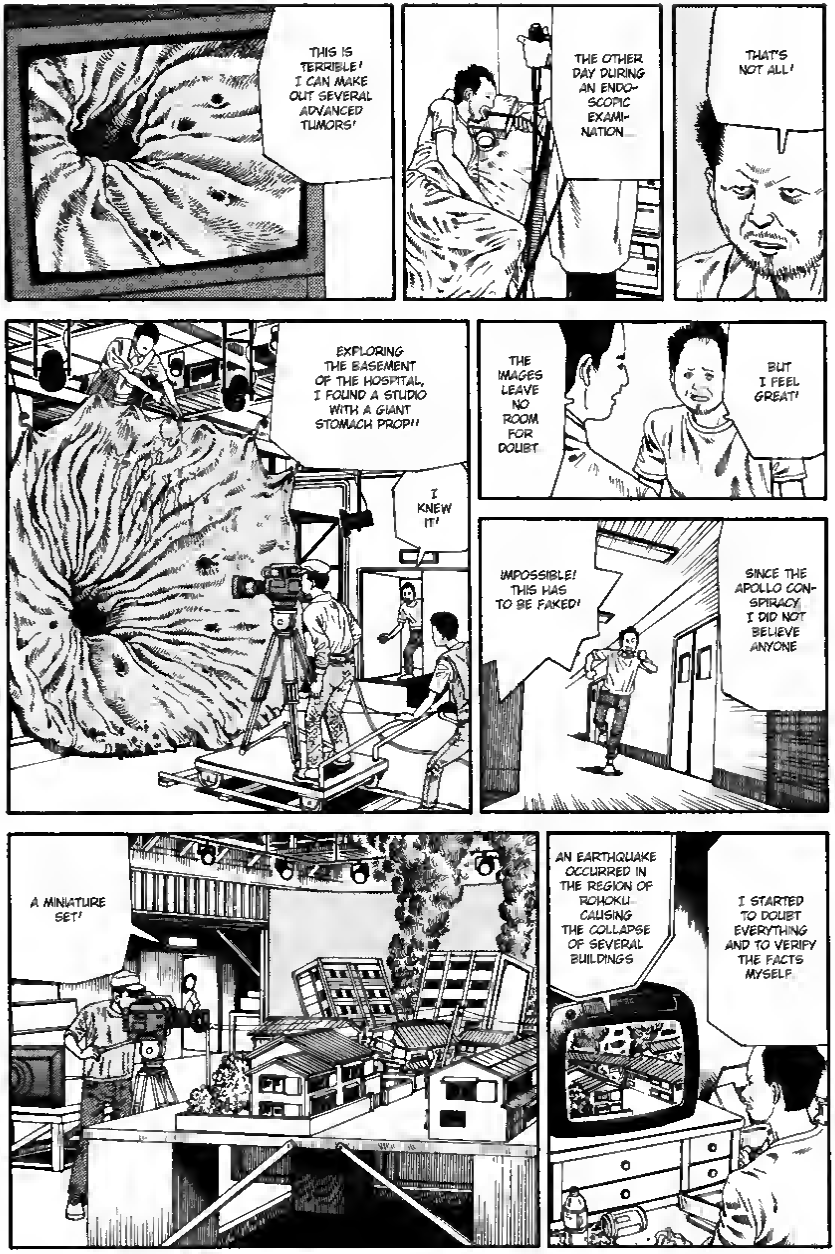
SERIOUSLY INJURED, KASHINO IS BACK IN COMPETITION!
URGH!
IF THE PATIENT'S CONDITION IMPROVES, TRANSPORTING HIM TO A HOSPITAL BECOMES POINTLESS! KASHINO IS DISQUALIFIED!
MY STOMACH ACHE IS GONE
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO HEAL, YOU LITTLE PIECE OF SHIT!
NAKATA COMES IN FIRST! HE WON THE RACE!
HM?
KASHINO
23
HUH?
WHO WILL WIN ?!
HM.
NAKATA AND KASHINO ARE NECK AND NECK! THE FIRST TO CROSS THE FINISH LINE WILL BE DECLARED THE WINNER!
NAKATA
23
I'LL HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER ONE
HUH? REALLY ?!
BUT YOUR PATIENT IS DEAD
THE WINNER IS TAKEN CARE OF IN A HOSPITAL WITH THE LATEST IN MEDICAL CARE!

Fin

A MAN SUFFERING FROM ACUTE PARANOIA CAME TO MY OFFICE
LISTEN TO ME! THE APOLLO PROGRAM WAS A CONSPIRACY!


NO, IT'S TRUE! THE AMERICANS NEVER WENT TO THE MOON!!
THESE THEORIES DON'T MAKE ANY SENSE OF COURSE
THE IMAGES OF THE MOON LANDING HAVE ALL BEEN SHOT IN A STUDIO, IS THAT IT?
AH, YES I'VE HEARD THIS THEORY


COULD IT HAVE BEEN THE SET OF A SCIENCE-FICTION FILM?
HE SUFFERS FROM PARANOIA AND HALLUCINATIONS
OH! BUT THIS IS...
ONE DAY AS I WAS HITCHHIKING ACROSS THE UNITED STATES, IN IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE... I DISCOVERED A SET DEPICTING THE MOON AND AN APOLLO MODULE MADE FROM PAPER MACHE!!


THIS IS TERRIBLE! I CAN MAKE OUT SEVERAL ADVANCED TUMORS!
THE OTHER DAY DURING AN ENDOSCOPIC EXAMINATION...
THAT'S NOT ALL!
EXPLORING THE BASEMENT OF THE HOSPITAL, I FOUND A STUDIO WITH A GIANT STOMACH PROP!!
I KNEW IT!
THE IMAGES LEAVE NO ROOM FOR DOUBT
BUT I FEEL GREAT!
IMPOSSIBLE! THIS HAS TO BE FAKED!
SINCE THE APOLLO CONSPIRACY I DID NOT BELIEVE ANYONE
A MINIATURE SET!
AN EARTHQUAKE OCCURRED IN THE REGION OF TOHOKU CAUSING THE COLLAPSE OF SEVERAL BUILDINGS
I STARTED TO DOUBT EVERYTHING AND TO VERIFY THE FACTS MYSELF

EVEN A MODEL!
TODAY, "TREASURES OF THE WORLD" TAKES YOU TO THE DISCOVERY OF THE REMAINS OF THE MONGOL EMPIRE
HUH?
MANY PEOPLE SUFFER FROM THIS KIND OF PARANOID DELUSION, BUT IT OCCURS MOST OFTEN DURING PUBERTY...
DO YOU MEAN THAT EVERY-THING AROUND YOU IS JUST A DECORATION?
I DON'T KNOW, BUT... WE ARE GIVEN THE RUN-AROUND HERE! I'M NOT CRAZY!
SORRY TO INTERRUPT, BUT... IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT'S THE PURPOSE OF ALL THESE DECEPTIONS?
HE IS SERIOUSLY DISTURBED
NO, THAT'S NOT IT...
HAHAHA YOU WANT TO SAY THAT I AM ALSO A VICTIM OF THESE LIES?
DOCTOR, YOU YOURSELF, DESPITE ALL YOUR SKILLS, STILL DO NOT REALIZE

SORRY TO INTERRUPT, BUT IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT'S THE PURPOSE OF ALL THESE DECEPTIONS?
HAHAHA... YOU WANT TO SAY THAT I AM ALSO A VICTIM OF THESE LIES?
YOU YOURSELF ARE JUST SET DECORATION!
HE SUFFERS FROM PARANOIA AND HALLUCINATIONS
COULD IT E BEEN SET OF IENCE-CTION LM?
THE IMAGES OF THE MOON LANDING HAVE ALL BEEN SHOT IN A STUDIO IS THAT IT?
A MAN SUFFERING FROM ACUTE PARANOIA CAME TO MY OFFICE.
HE IS SERIOUSLY DISTURBED

YES, THAT'S ME
HELLO, MISTER NAKAGAWA?
HUH ?
I HAVE TAKEN YOUR SON.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
I DON'T CARE ABOUT CASH. FOLLOW MY DIRECTIONS ....
W... WHAT DO YOU WANT? MONEY ?!
S SHOICHI!
PAPA !!!
YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME? I'LL LET YOU SPEAK TO HIM.

SHO-ICHI!
YOU TOOK YOUR TIME!
PAPA !!!
IT SHOULD BE HERE
THEY WERE IN THE SAME CLASS
I HAD A GIRL HIS AGE
BUT WHY ?!
EH ?
I WILL NOW PUSH YOUR SON OVER THE EDGE
PA-PAA !!!
AH!
AH!
STOP RUNNING AROUND, SHOICHI!
ONE DAY DURING AN EX-CURSION
OOPS! SORRY!
OH, NO!
ポチ

EAT!
YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME?!
BUT IT'S DIRTY!
GO ON, EAT!
HUH ?
YOU KNOW, IF YOU PICK UP THE FOOD IN LESS THAN FIVE SECONDS YOU RISK NOTHING!
IN SHORT, I DECIDED TO TRY AN EXPERIMENT
YOU NEVER KNOW WITH KIDS
PERHAPS THE DUMPLING REMAINED MORE THAN FIVE SECONDS ON THE FLOOR.
IT WAS PROBABLY IN CONTACT WITH SOME VERY TOXIC BACTERIA
UUUH ..
SHOICHI FORCED MY DAUGHTER TO EAT THAT RICE DUMPLING AND THE SAME EVENING
THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ANYTHING!
HE TOLD ME THAT IT WAS YOU WHO TAUGHT HIM THE FIVE-SECOND RULE
E-ENOUGH, PLEASE STOP YOUR BULLSHIT!
I'LL DROP SHOICHI, YOU WILL PICK HIM UP IN LESS THAN FIVE SECONDS AND WE'LL SEE IF HE IS UNHARMED
BUT SHOICHI IS ONLY A CHILD, DAMMIT!
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR AUGHTER IS TERRIBLE! I'M REALLY SORRY!

SHO-ICHI!
SHLAFF
SHUT THE FUCK UP! WE'LL SEE WHAT YOUR BLOODY RULE OF FIVE SECONDS IS WORTH!
BOMB
MY DAUGHTER WAS THE VICTIM OF FOOD POISONING BUT SHE DID NOT DIE!
FA-PAAA !!!
HAHAHA! THIS WILL TEACH YOU A LESSON!
!!!
AH, A PUPPET!
GO TO HELL.
GASP GASP GASP
WE ONLY HAVE FIVE SECONDS
URRRGH HURRY, CALL AN AMBULANCE
OUAAAH!
BOM
SCREW YOU!
SADAM
ARGHHH !!!

THE LAST MOMENTS OF A MANGA ARTIST

THIS STORY IS SEEN FROM THE REVERSE SIDE OF A DRAWING BOARD

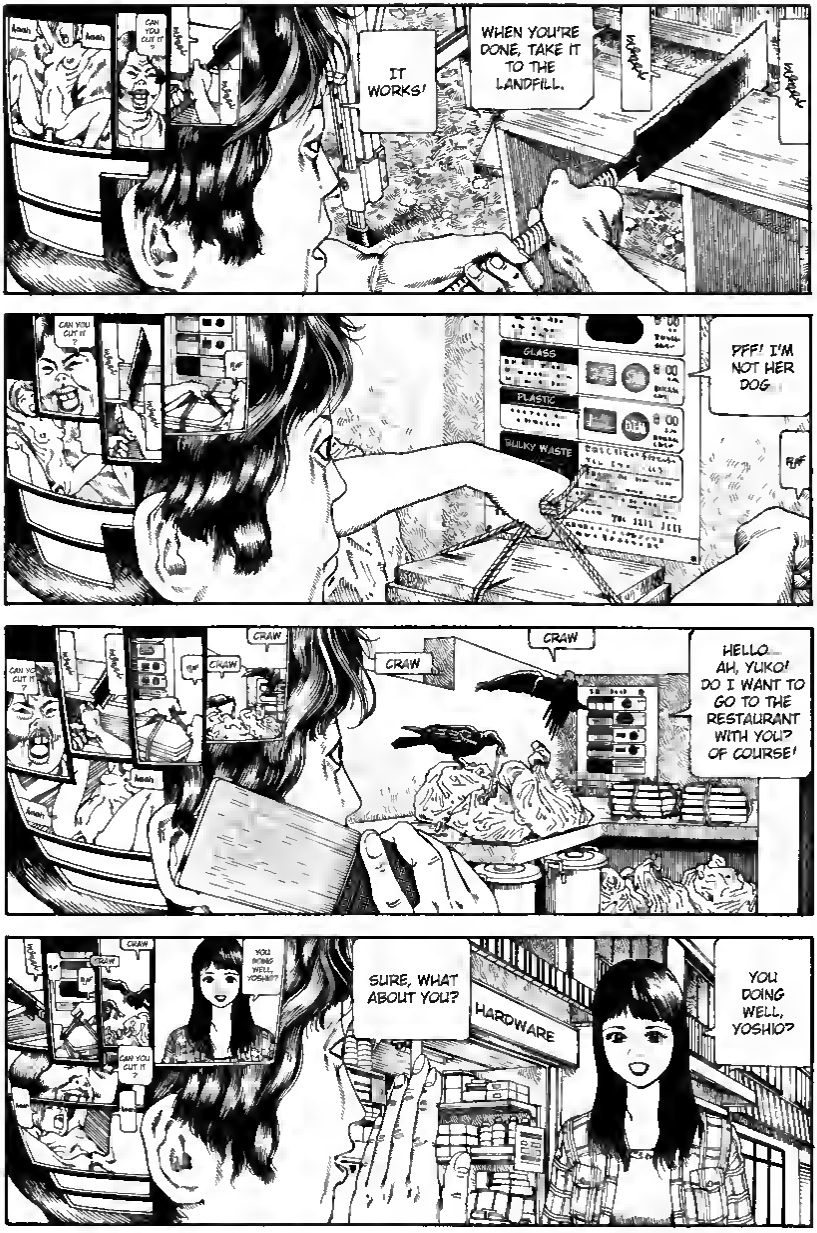
HERE WE GO, POCHI!
THESE PAG
WON'T EVE
BE PUB-
LISHED?
IT'S GONE!
SERIES HAS BEEN CANCELLED ?!
HOW YOU'VE GROWN, KATSU-HIKO!
I WON'T BE PAID? BUT I HAVE NO OTHER INCOME!
HAVE TO NOTIFY ME!
HUH ?!
WHO ARE YOU ?!
I AM YOUR FATHER!
HUH ?!
BUT HE'S DEAD!

HERE WE GO, POCHI!
MY PARENTS COMMITTED SUICIDE... MY BOYFRIEND IS CHEATING ON ME... MY ILLNESS IS GETTING WORSE... MY BANK ACCOUNT WAS HACKED... I HAVE NO FUTURE... WHY SHOULD I GO ON LIVING?
IT'S GONE!
I HAVE TO REPAY MY MORTGAGE AND I HAVE PLENTY OF DEBT...
HOW YOU'VE GROWN, KATSU-HIKO!
STILL PREFER TO DIE
HUH? WHO ARE YOU?
I AM YOUR FATHER!
HUH? BUT HE'S DEAD!

I'VE SEEN THEM!
HERE WE GO, POCHI!
PEEK
I'VE SEEN THEM!
IT'S GONE!
I'VE SEEN THEM!
PEEK
PEEK
I'VE SEEN THEM!
HUH?
WHO ARE YOU?
HOW YOU'VE GROWN, KATSU-HIKO!
PEEK
I'VE SEEN THEM!
PEEK
THEY ARE WHITE!
I AM YOUR FATHER!
PEEK
PEEK
HUH?
I'VE SEEN HER PANTIES!
PEEK

END

SELECTIVE MEMORY


Aaaah
Aaaah
CAN YOU CUT IT ?
SLASH
IT WORKS!
WHEN YOU'RE DONE, TAKE IT TO THE LANDFILL.
SLASHH
SLASHH
CAN YOU CUT IT ?
SLASHH
SLASHH
FLIP
GLASS
PLASTIC
BULKY WASTE
PFF! I'M NOT HER DOG
FLIP
CAN YOU CUT IT ?
Aaaah
Aaaah
SLASHH
SLASHH
FLIP
CRAW
CRAW
CRAW
HELLO... AH, YUKO! DO I WANT TO GO TO THE RESTAURANT WITH YOU? OF COURSE!
SLASHH
CRAW
FLIP
CAN YOU CUT IT ?
YOU DOING WELL, YOSHIO?
SURE, WHAT ABOUT YOU?
HARDWARE
YOU DOING WELL, YOSHIO?

ARE YOU BUSY AT THE MOMENT ?
NO, NOT REALLY
OH, GOOD! THEN WE COULD GO OUT SOME TIME?
SURE, GREAT IDEA!
WHY IS SHE SUDDENLY INTERESTED IN ME?
HONTO
VROOOM
HUH? YES, WHY?
POLICE, ARE YOU YOSHIO TABATA ?
POLICE

YOU KNOW YUKO YAMA-ZAKI, DON'T YOU?
HER CORPSE WAS FOUND A WHILE AGO
WHAT ?!
SHE WAS HIT BY A CAR, THEN RAPED BEFORE BEING CUT INTO PIECES AND DISPOSED OF AT THE LANDFILL. IN ADDITION, PARTS OF HER BODY SEEM TO HAVE BEEN COOKED AND EATEN!
WHAT ?!
EH ?
FINALLY, YOUR MOTHER WAS FOUND STRANGLED AT YOUR PLACE.
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO KILLED THEM!
THIS IS ALL BULL-SHIT!
?!
BUT ...
WHERE DID ALL THOSE MEMORIES GO?
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
WAS ALL THAT REALLY ME?

END

ACS
COUCHES
MAXI
CONFORT
HIS MERE PRESENCE PUTS ME ON EDGE
HE IS NEVER QUIET

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IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO CLOSE MY EYES..
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AS LONG AS HE IS HERE, I WON'T HAVE A SINGLE MOMENT TO MYSELF.
HE COMANDS MY ENTIRE LIFE
BUT OF COURSE... THAT'S THE SOLUTION!
IF ONLY I COULD GET RID OF...

IT WAS TIME TO GET RID OF IT.
HELLO, IS THIS CUSTOMER SERVICE FOR NANNY ROBOTS? ONE OF YOUR ANDROIDS JUMPED ME! WHAT THE SHIT IS THIS?!
NO. IT HAS BEEN MALFUNCTIONING FOR A WHILE NOW IT SERVED ME BURNING HOT MILK AND THE FOOD WAS DISGUSTING
I BOUGHT IT LESS THAN A YEAR AGO SO IT IS STILL UNDER WARRANTY, RIGHT? THAT THING WAS A FUCKING MANUFACTURING DEFECT!
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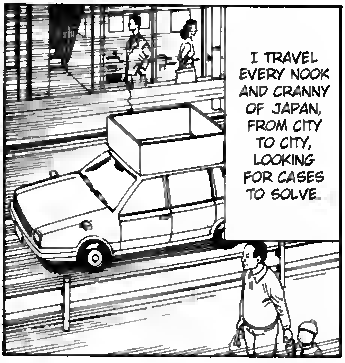
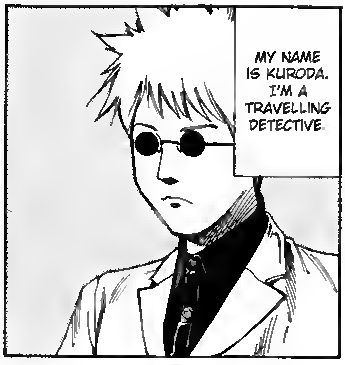
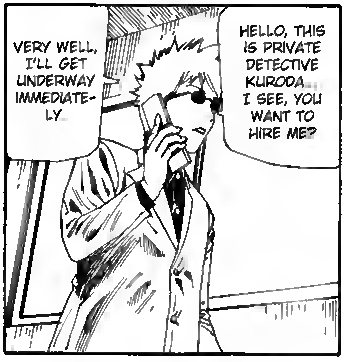
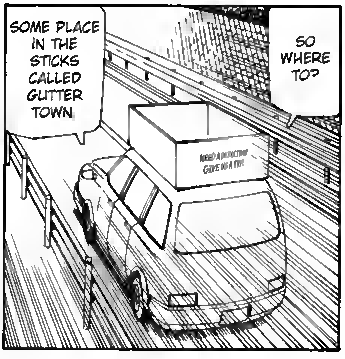
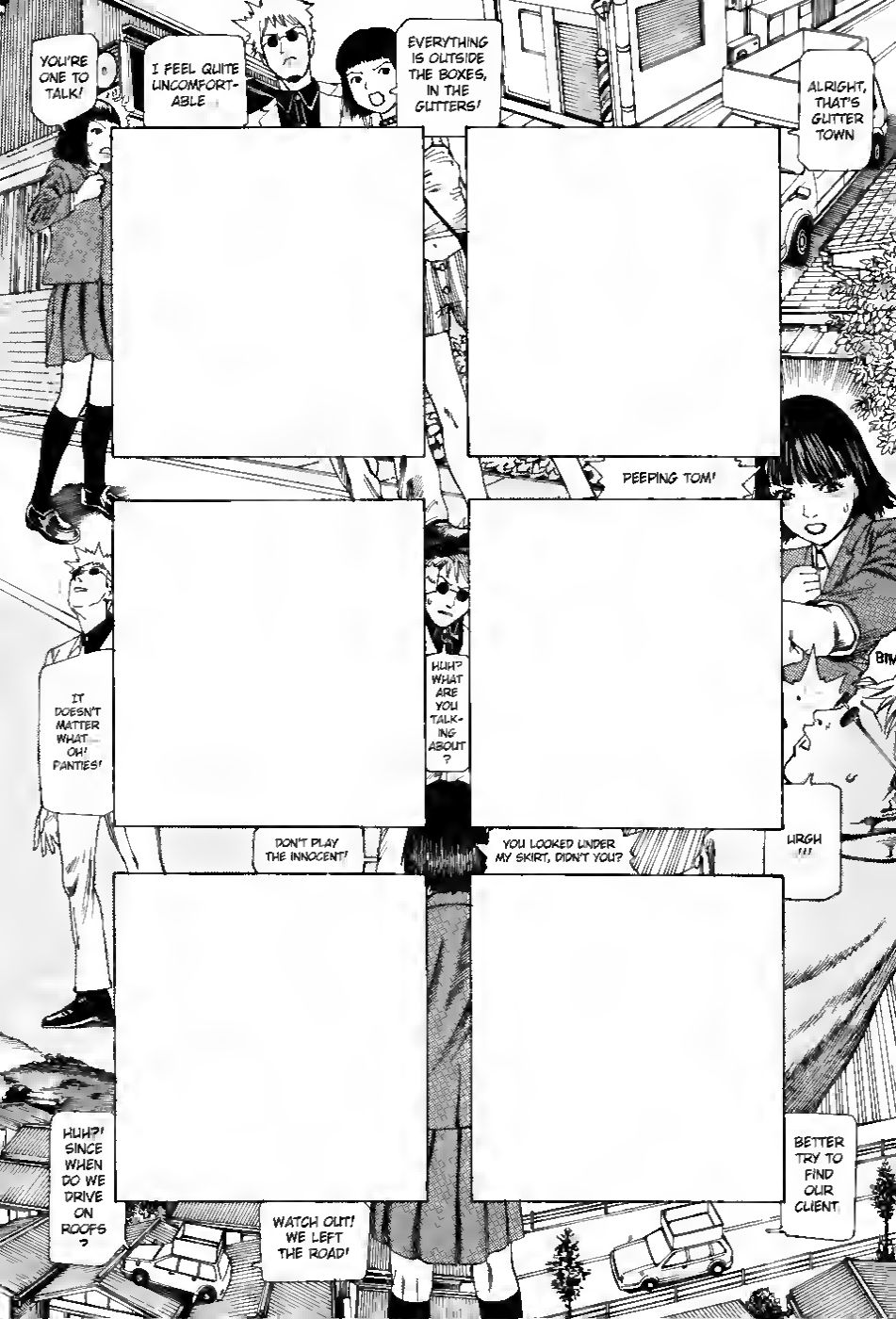
MYSTERIES IN GUTTER TOWN

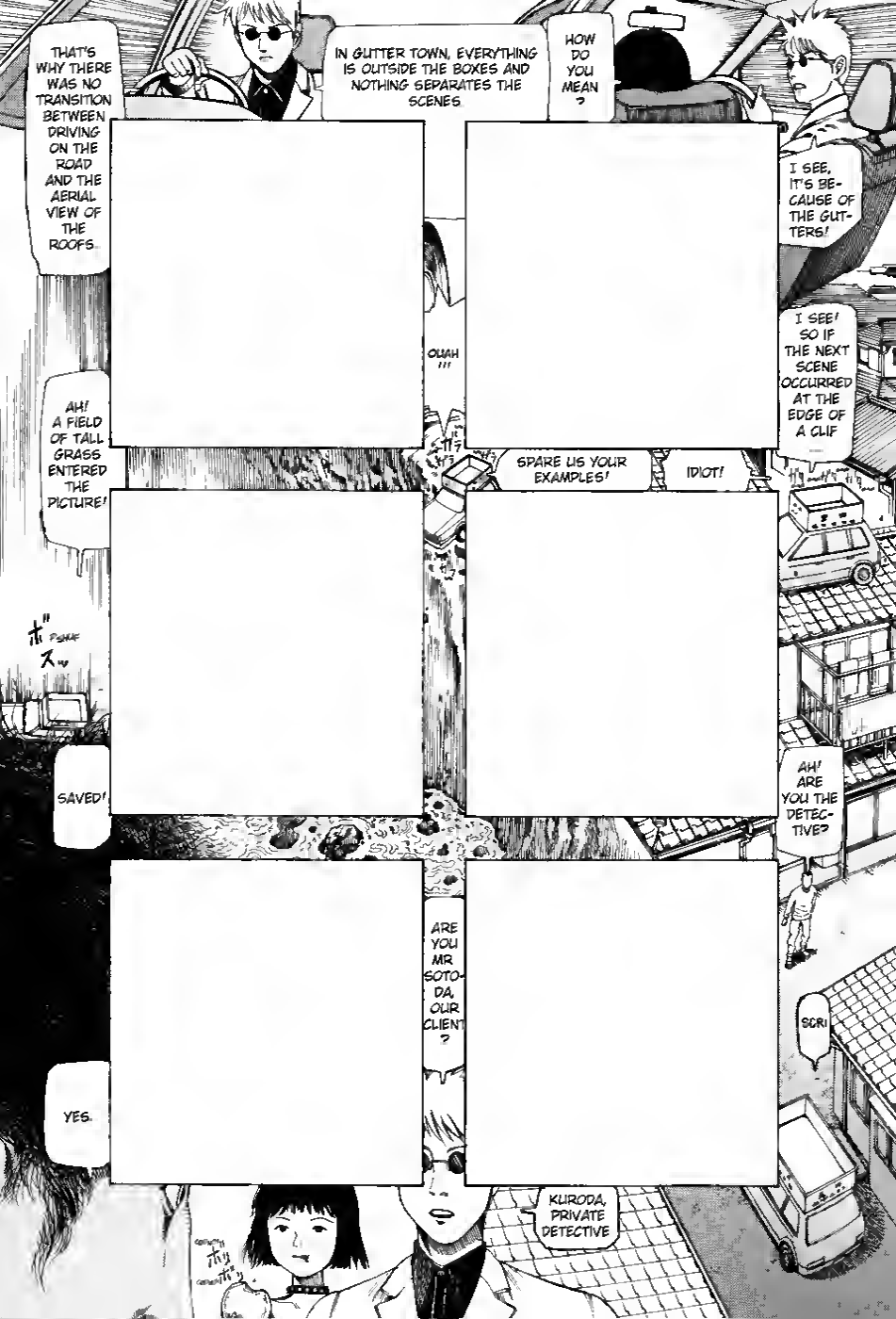


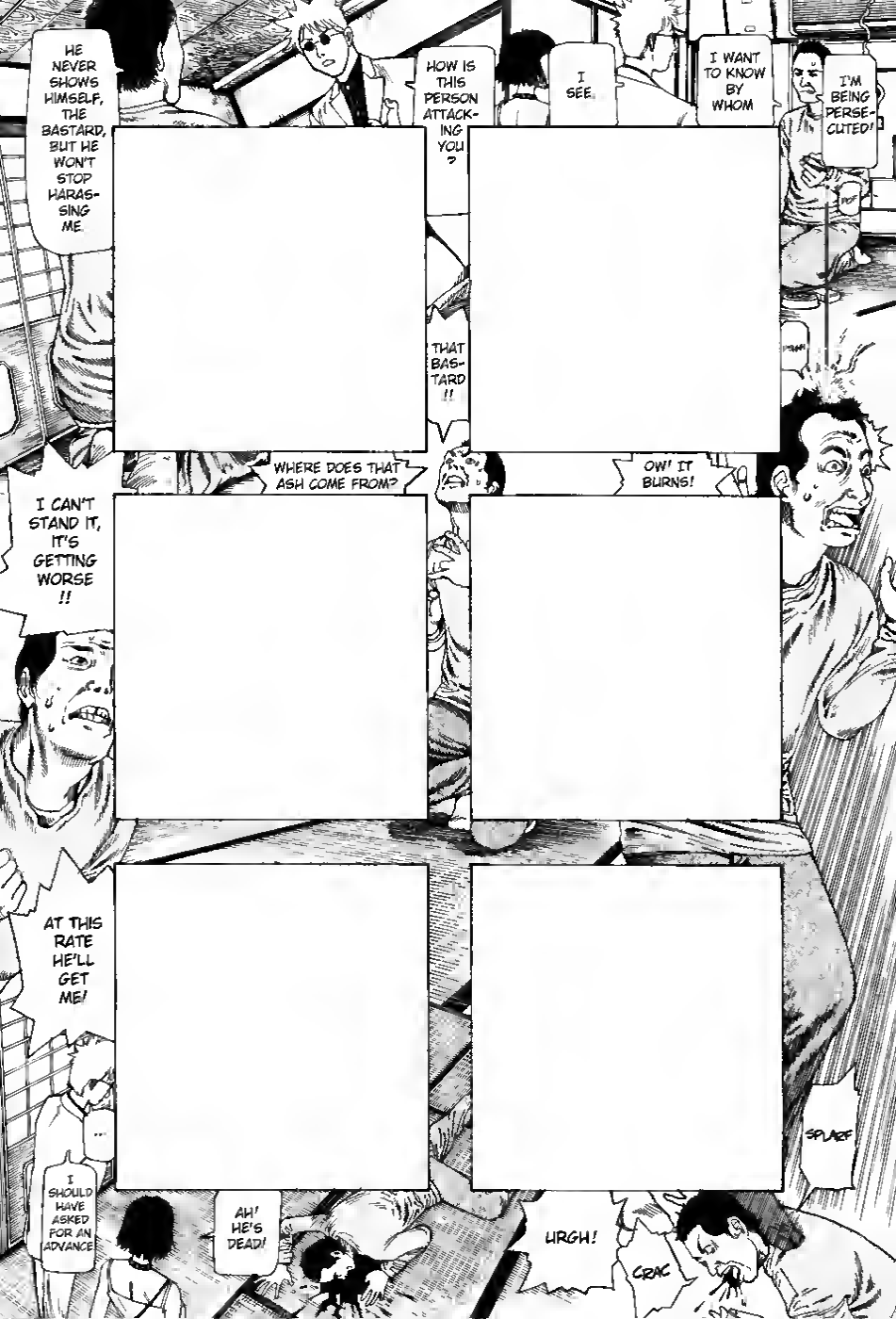


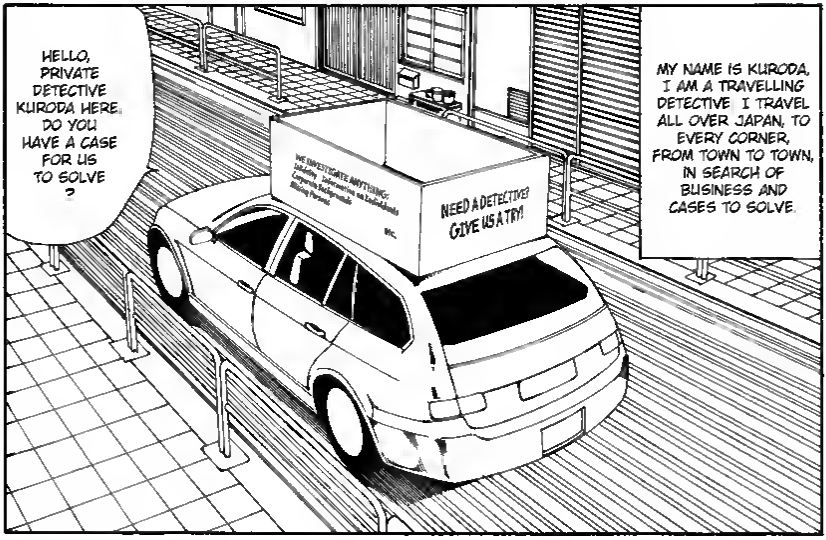


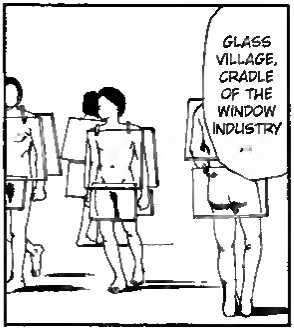


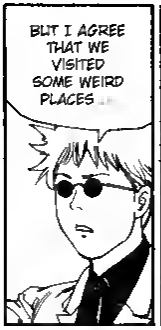

YOU'RE ONE TO TALK!
I FEEL QUITE UNCOMFORT-ABLE
EVERYTHING IS OUTSIDE THE BOXES, IN THE GUTTERS!
ALRIGHT, THAT'S GUTTER TOWN
PEEPING TOM!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT— OH! PANTIES!
HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TALK-ING ABOUT?
Bnw
DON'T PLAY THE INNOCENT!
YOU LOOKED UNDER MY SKIRT, DIDN'T YOU?
URGH !!!
HUH?! SINCE WHEN DO WE DRIVE ON ROOFS?
WATCH OUT! WE LEFT THE ROAD!
BETTER TRY TO FIND OUR CLIENT

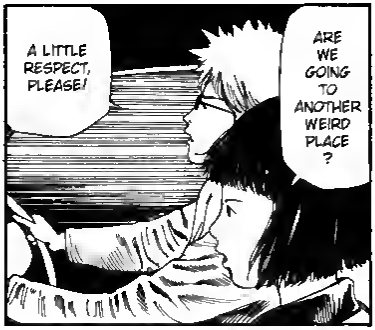

IN GUTTER TOWN, EVERYTHING IS OUTSIDE THE BOXES AND NOTHING SEPARATES THE SCENES.
HOW DO YOU MEAN ?
THAT'S WHY THERE WAS NO TRANSITION BETWEEN DRIVING ON THE ROAD AND THE AERIAL VIEW OF THE ROOFS.
I SEE, IT'S BECAUSE OF THE GUTTERS!
OUAH !!!
I SEE! SO IF THE NEXT SCENE OCCURRED AT THE EDGE OF A CLIF
SPARE US YOUR EXAMPLES!
IDIOT!
AH! A FIELD OF TALL GRASS ENTERED THE PICTURE!
FSHAF
SAVED!
AH! ARE YOU THE DETECTIVE?
SCRI
ARE YOU MR SOTODA, OUR CLIENT ?
YES.
KURODA, PRIVATE DETECTIVE


HE NEVER SHOWS HIMSELF, THE BASTARD, BUT HE WON'T STOP HARASSING ME.
HOW IS THIS PERSON ATTACKING YOU ?
I SEE.
I WANT TO KNOW BY WHOM
I'M BEING PERSECUTED!
THAT BASTARD !!
WHERE DOES THAT ASH COME FROM?
OW! IT BURNS!
I CAN'T STAND IT, IT'S GETTING WORSE !!
AT THIS RATE HE'LL GET ME!
...
I SHOULD HAVE ASKED FOR AN ADVANCE
AH! HE'S DEAD!
URGH!
CRAC
SPLAFF

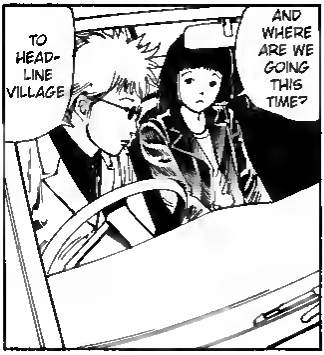

HELLO, PRIVATE DETECTIVE KURODA HERE. DO YOU HAVE A CASE FOR US TO SOLVE ?
NEED A DETECTIVE? GIVE US A TRY!
MY NAME IS KURODA, I AM A TRAVELLING DETECTIVE I TRAVEL ALL OVER JAPAN, TO EVERY CORNER, FROM TOWN TO TOWN, IN SEARCH OF BUSINESS AND CASES TO SOLVE.

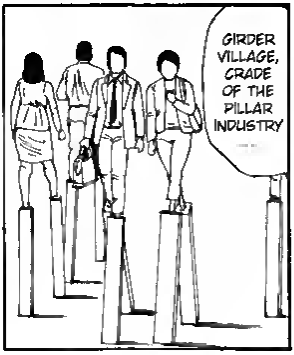

GLASS VILLAGE, CRADLE OF THE WINDOW INDUSTRY


BUT I AGREE THAT WE VISITED SOME WEIRD PLACES


A LITTLE RESPECT, PLEASE!
ARE WE GOING TO ANOTHER WEIRD PLACE ?

I SEE, THE CRADLE OF THE TITLE PAGE NDUSTRY!


TO HEAD-LINE VILLAGE
AND WHERE ARE WE GOING THIS TIME?


GIRDER VILLAGE, CRADE OF THE PILLAR INDUSTRY

A BREATHLESS ADVENTURE THAT COMBINES THE PARANORMAL AND HALLUCINATORY VISIONS
PANIC IN HEADLINE VILLAGE
Kurodo PRIVATE DETECTIVE
BUT... WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE?!
I SEE! THIS PLACE IS CALLED HEADLINE VILLAGE BECAUSE THERE'S A TITLE PAGE!
HIS ASSISTANT
KURODOA, THE TRAVELLING DETECTIVE
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PANIC IN HEADLINE VILLAGE
THE REVENGE
FUCK! ANOTHER TITLE PAGE!!
KURODA TRAVELLING DETECTIVE
STAY CLOSE TO ME, KURODA!
SAYOKO THE NEW HEROINE
KURODA'S ASSISTANT REVEALS HER TRUE FACE
SCRIPT · DIALOGUES · VISUALS · DESIGN
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PANIC IN HEADLINE VILLAGE BLITZKRIEG
CARNEVAL OF BIMBOS
YOUHOUU!
HEHEHE! I'LL TURN ALL THE INHABITANTS OF THIS CITY INTO NYMPHOMANIACS!
THERE'LL BE TITLE PAGES UNTIL THE BITTER END!
KURODA TRAVELLING DETECTIVE
AAAAAH...
SAYOKO
THE SUCCESSFUL TRILOGY CONCLUDES WITH A SEX COMEDY!
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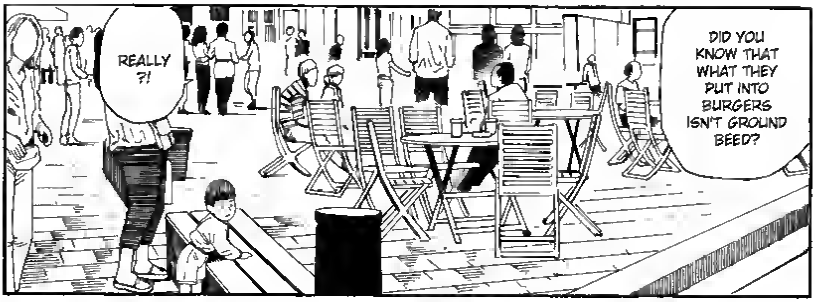
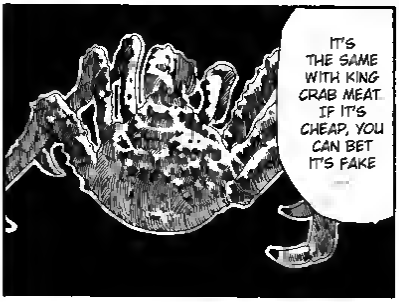
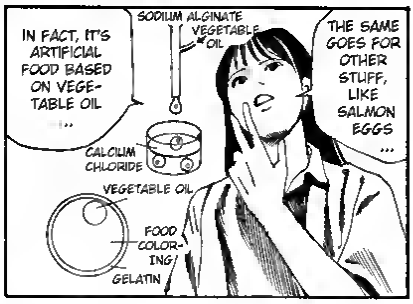

REALLY ?!
DID YOU KNOW THAT WHAT THEY PUT INTO BURGERS ISN'T GROUND BEED?

WHAT I MEANT WAS THAT THEY DON'T PUT BEEF IN THEM.
OF COURSE NOT, IDIOT!

SO THAT STORY ABOUT EARTHWORM-BASED STEAKS WAS TRUE ?

AH, I DIDN'T KNOW THAT
INSTEAD THEY USE PORK, HORSE MEAT, SOY FLOUR.

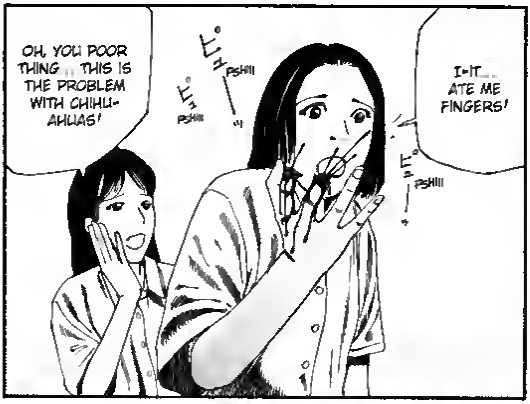

IT'S THE SAME WITH KING CRAB MEAT. IF IT'S CHEAP, YOU CAN BET IT'S FAKE


IN FACT, IT'S ARTIFICIAL FOOD BASED ON VEGE-TABLE OIL ...
SODIUM ALGINATE
VEGETABLE OIL
CALCIUM CHLORIDE
VEGETABLE OIL
FOOD COLOR-ING
GELATIN
THE SAME GOES FOR OTHER STUFF, LIKE SALMON EGGS ...

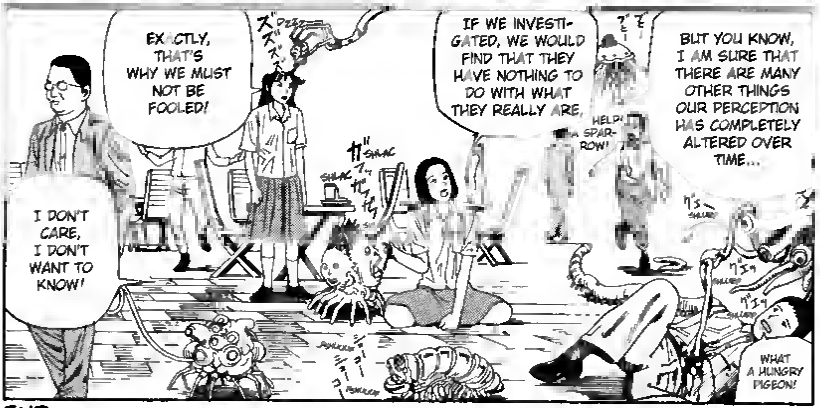
RED DYE IS ADDED TO COLEY EGGS TO MAKE BELIEVE THEY ARE FRESH...
CRAB STICKS ARE MADE FROM FISH PASTE...
REALLY? BUT THAT'S TOTALLY DISGUSTING!
ARTIFICIAL CAVIAR IS MADE FROM DYED BLACK HERRING EGGS.
SO IF WE NOW ATE A REAL BURGER, WE WOULD FIND THE TASTE WEIRD...
WE ALWAYS ATE FAKE STEAKS IN THE BELIEF THEY WERE 100% PURE BEEF.
YES, BUT... IN THE LONG RUN, YOU EVENTUALLY FIND IT NORMAL.
SURE, BUT...
I DON'T GIVE A DAMN SO LONG AS IT'S GOOD.
BUT DOESN'T IT OFFEND YOU THAT WE'RE BEING LIED TO?
IF YOU'RE EATING SOMETHING BELIEVING IT TO BE CRAB MEAT, THE LIE EVENTUALLY REPLACES REALITY.
EVEN IF A GUY FEELS NOTHING FOR ME, IF HE SAYS "I LOVE YOU", I'M READY TO BELIEVE!
I DON'T MIND BEING LIED TO IF IT'S DONE RIGHT!

ANYWAY, THIS IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE PEOPLE LIKE YOU ARE READY TO SWALLOW EVERYTHING.
THAT'S NOT QUITE THE SAME...
AND WHY ARE YOU THE INCARNATION OF BEAUTY?
IN THE PAST, THIS WAS BEAUTIFUL.
WHEREAS NOW IT'D BE MORE LIKE THIS.
THE OTHER DAY, THE PROFESSOR SAID THAT THE BEAUTY STANDARDS OF THE PAST HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THOSE OF TODAY.
SO WHAT ?!
THE PROOF IS THAT YOU'RE THROWING THIS FIT OVER NOTHING.
YOU'RE ANNOYING
C'MON, WHY DON'T YOU GO AHEAD AND SAY I'M A BITCH ?!
HUPFFF
HUPFFF
ZWUP
ZWUP
ZWUP
ZWUP
ZWUP

YEAH!
OH, LOOK! A CHIHUAHUA! IT'S TOO CUTE!
PSHHH
PSHHH
PSHHH
PSHHH

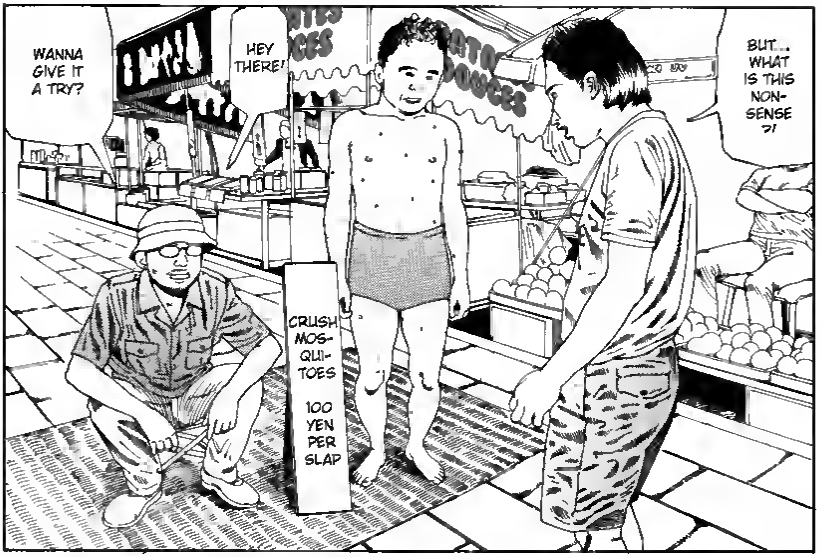

OH, YOU POOR THING... THIS IS THE PROBLEM WITH CHIHUAHUAS!
I-IT... ATE ME FINGERS!
PSHHH
PSHHH
PSHHH

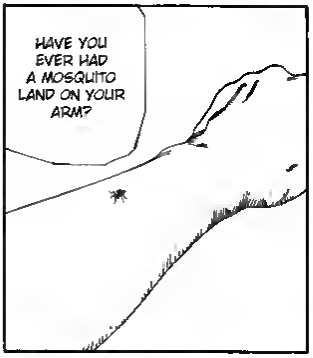
AH! BUT...
SHLAC
SHLAC

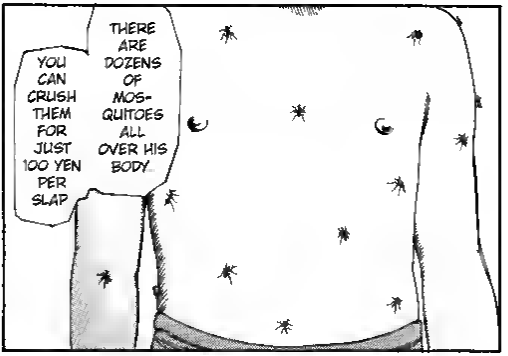

EXACTLY, THAT'S WHY WE MUST NOT BE FOOLED!
IF WE INVESTIGATED, WE WOULD FIND THAT THEY HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH WHAT THEY REALLY ARE.
BUT YOU KNOW, I AM SURE THAT THERE ARE MANY OTHER THINGS OUR PERCEPTION HAS COMPLETELY ALTERED OVER TIME...
I DON'T CARE, I DON'T WANT TO KNOW!
HELP! A SPARROW!
SHLAC
SHLAC
SHLAC
SHLAC
WHAT A HUNGRY PIGEON!

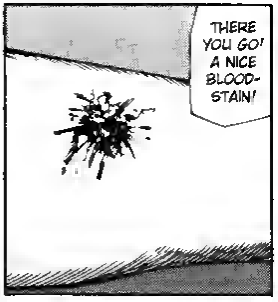
END

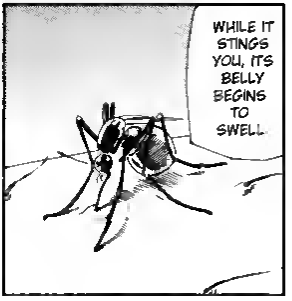
THE MOSQUITO-CRUSHER







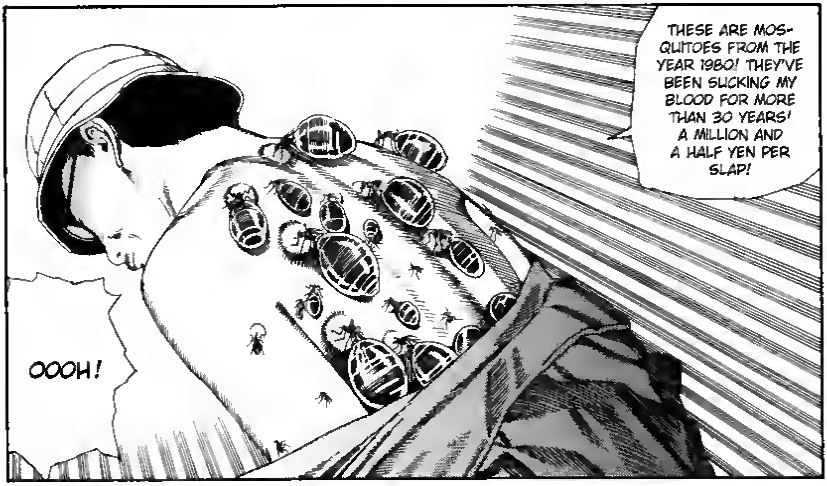


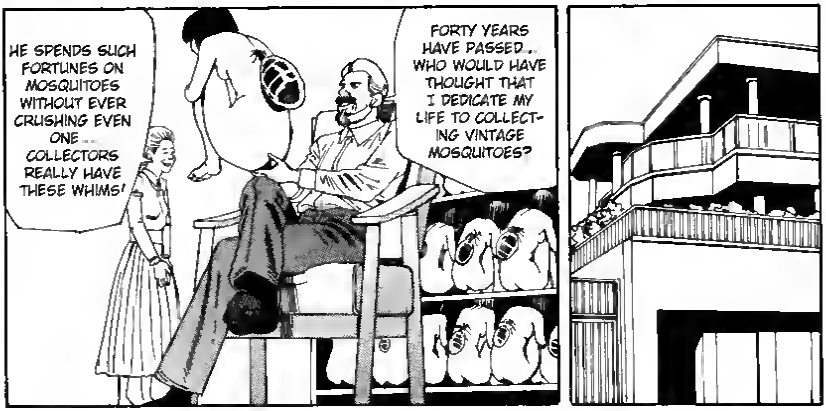


WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO A FREE TRY?
BUT FROM NOW ON YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR IT.
THE FULLER A MOSQUITO IS, THE MORE FUN IT IS TO CRUSH IT!
I MISSED!
PAF
FINE! HERE'S 100 YEN!
YOU ONLY HAD ONE TRY
SORRY
LET ME TRY AGAIN!
CRAP!
CONGRATULATIONS!
GOT IT!
PAF
HMMM

LOOK AT THIS JUICY ABDOMEN! WHAT A DELICIOUS FEELING YOU MUST EXPERIENCE WHEN YOU SLAP IT...
THE BEAUTY OF THIS GAME IS TO WHACK THEM WHEN THEY'RE FULL OF BLOOD!
AH, IT LOOKS LIKE IT HAD AN EMPTY STOMACH...
PAF
AH, SORRY... THE BIG ONES COST 200 YEN...
OK, HERE'S 100!
FINE, TAKE IT!
I AM REALLY SORRY, BUT THIS ONE IS WORTH 500 YEN
OK, HERE'S 200 YEN!
WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THAT ONE? IT IS SO BIG THAT IT CAN HARDLY MOVE
DID TOO!
DID NOT
YOUR PARTNER MOVED!
YEAH!
WELL PLAYED!

?
NOW, DEAR SIR... LET ME SHOW YOU MY SPECIAL STOCK...


THESE ARE MOSQUITOES FROM THE YEAR 1980! THEY'VE BEEN SUCKING MY BLOOD FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS! A MILLION AND A HALF YEN PER SLAP!
OOOH!


HE SPENDS SUCH FORTUNES ON MOSQUITOES WITHOUT EVER CRUSHING EVEN ONE... COLLECTORS REALLY HAVE THESE WHIMS!
FORTY YEARS HAVE PASSED... WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT I DEDICATE MY LIFE TO COLLECTING VINTAGE MOSQUITOES?

END

TERROR ON THE TOWN!
THE MYSTERY OF THE BLOOD-SUCKING PARASITES

THIS ISN'T POSSIBLE! THEY FOLLOWED US HERE?!
WATCH OUT! I FEEL THE PRESENCE OF PARASITES IN THIS ROOM!
HUH ?!
HOLD ON! I HEARD THEY DON'T INFECT HUMANS!
THEY ARE STRIKING AT A MOMENT OF INATTENTION... AND THEY SUCK OUR BLOOD, RIGHT?
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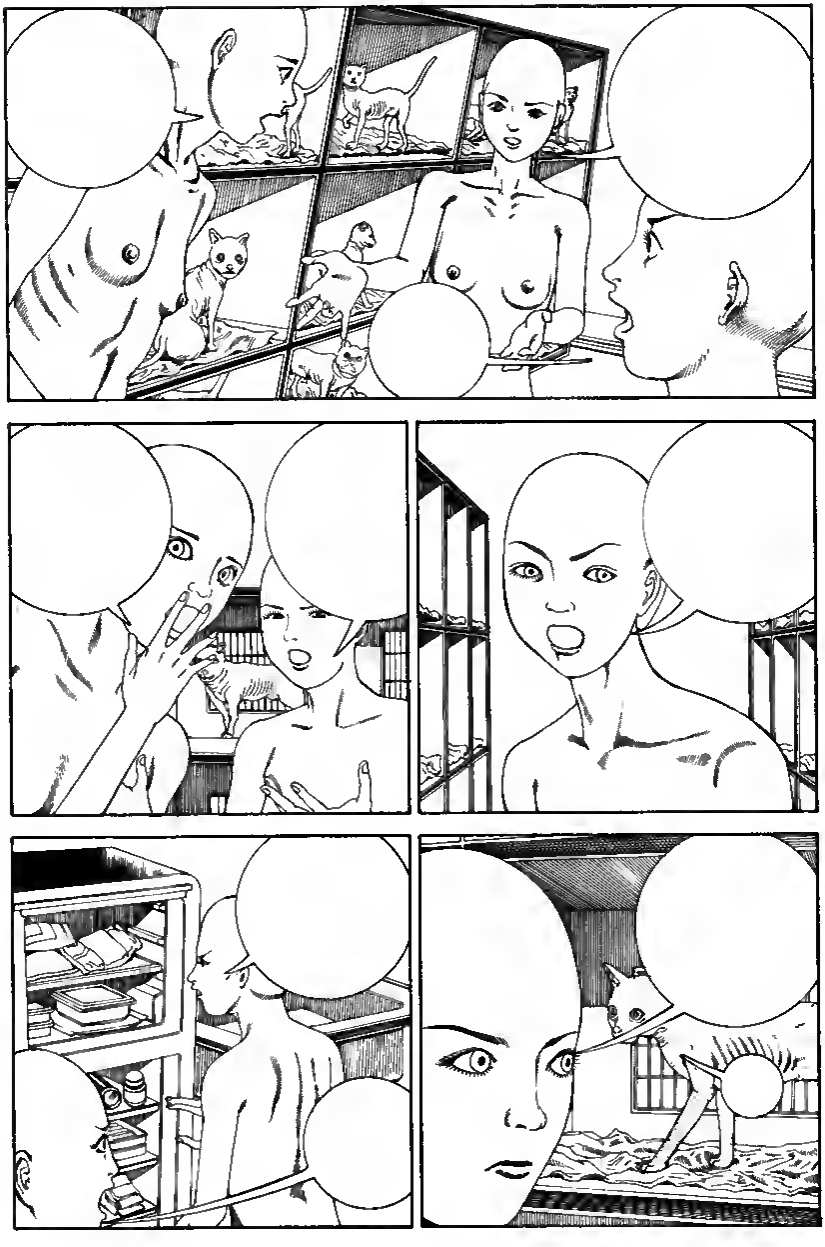

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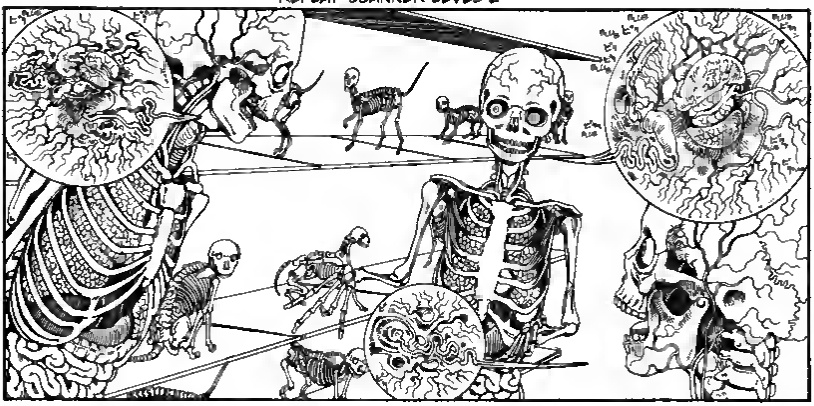

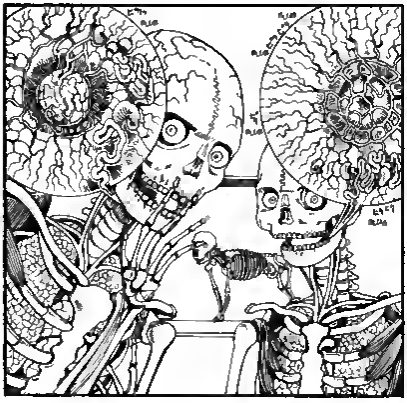

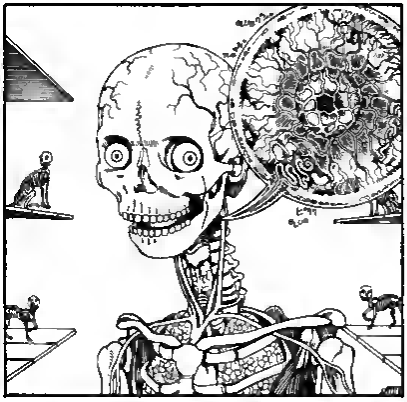

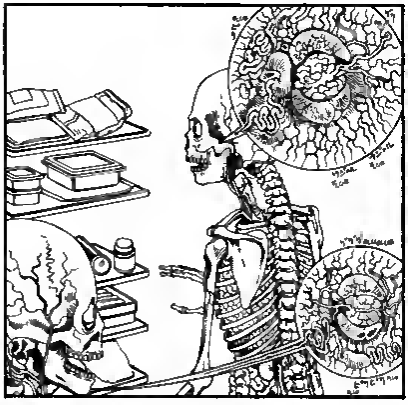

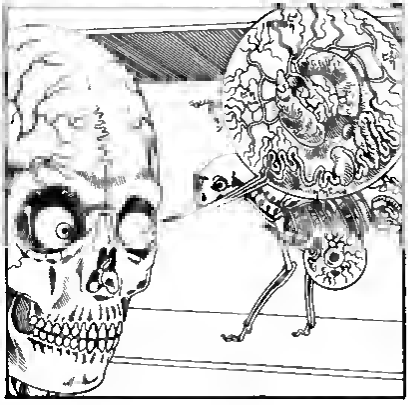

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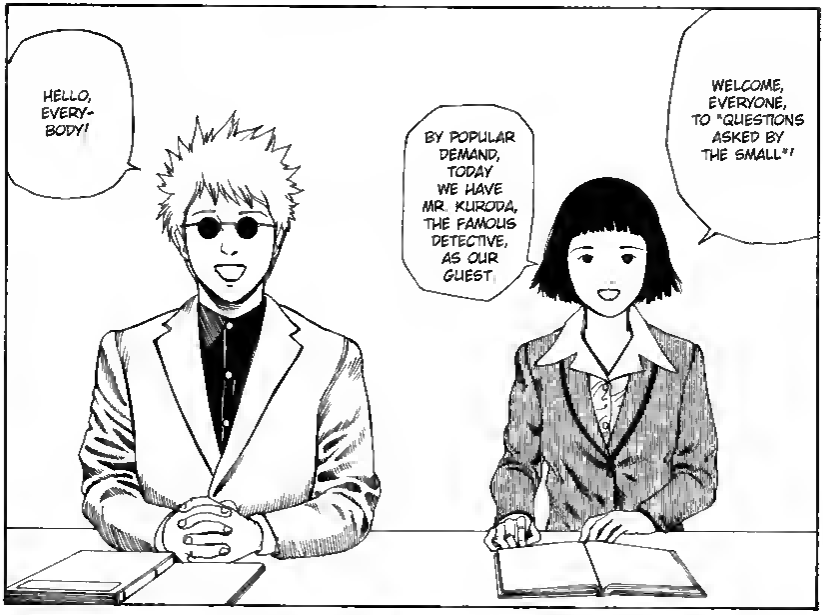
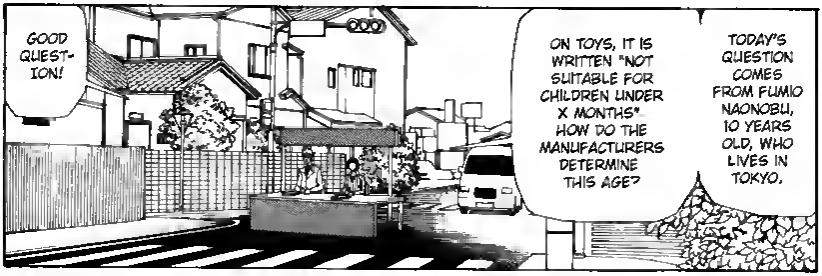
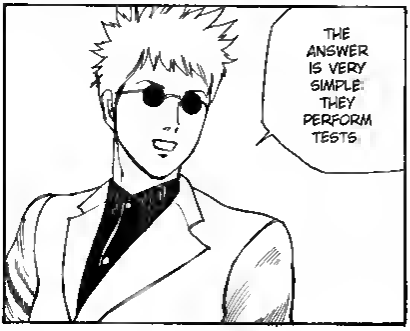
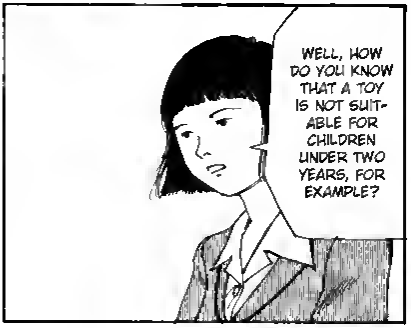
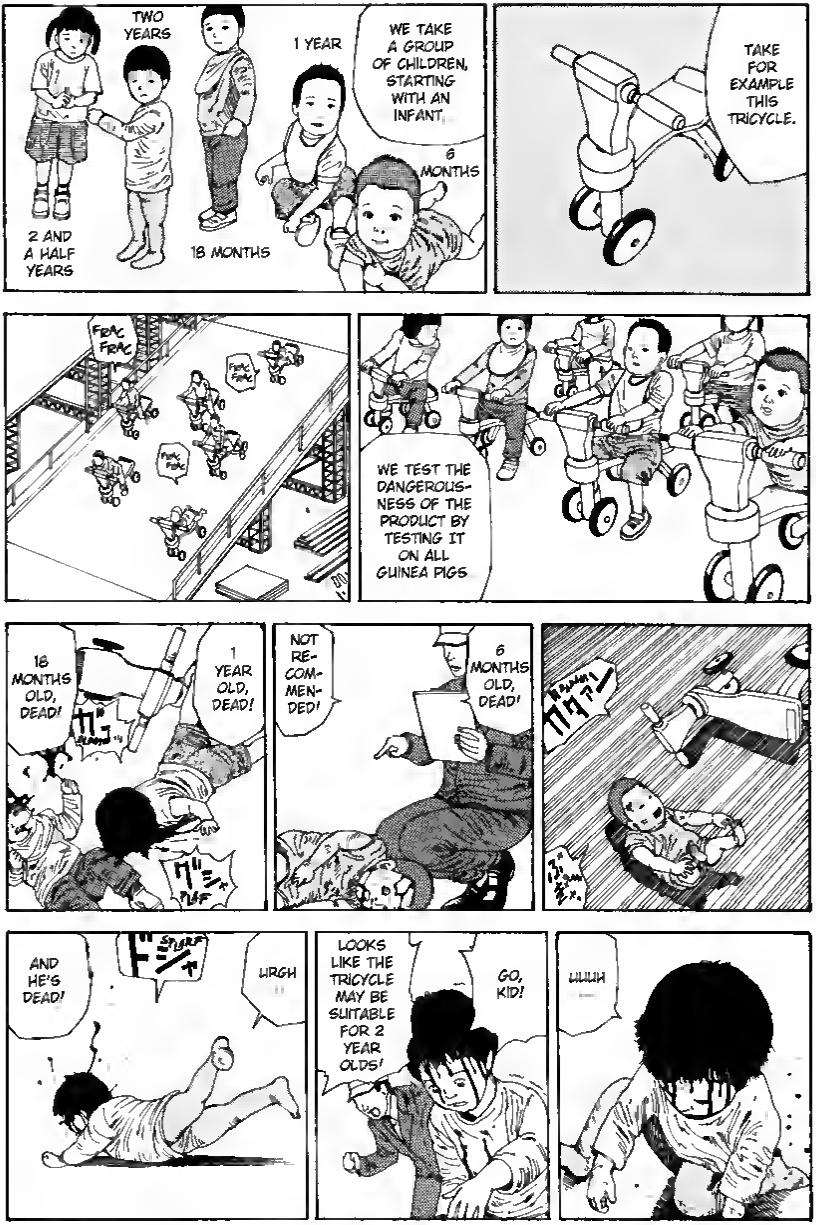
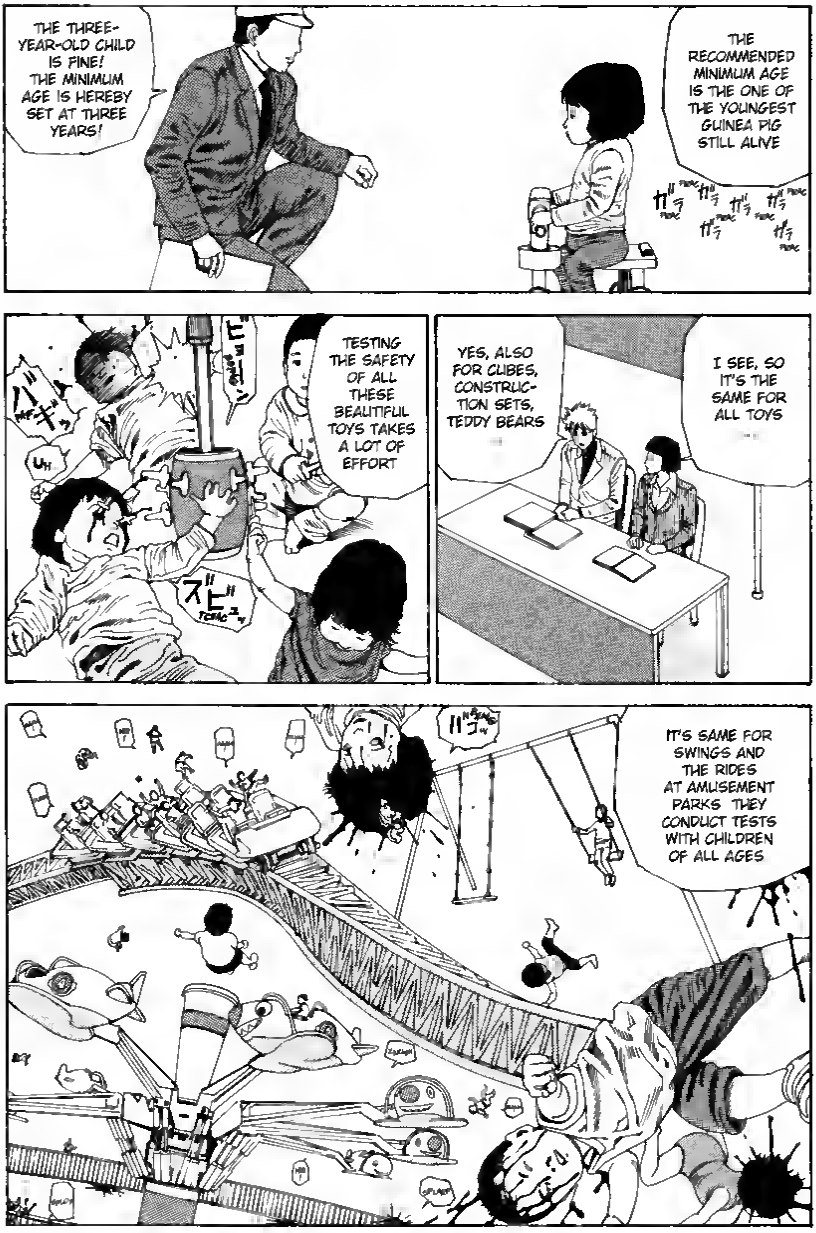

HELLO, EVERY-BODY!
BY POPULAR DEMAND, TODAY WE HAVE MR. KURODA, THE FAMOUS DETECTIVE, AS OUR GUEST.
WELCOME, EVERYONE, TO "QUESTIONS ASKED BY THE SMALL"!

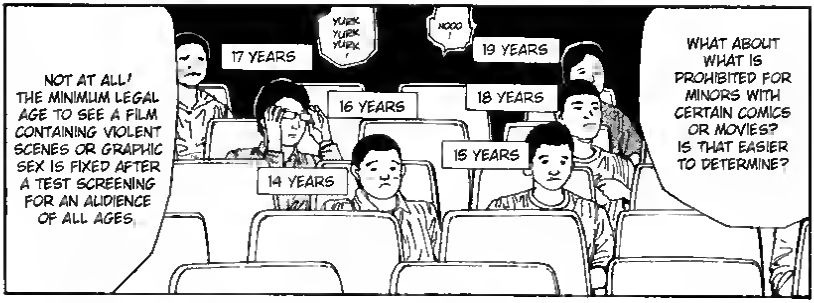

GOOD QUEST-ION!
ON TOYS, IT IS WRITTEN "NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN UNDER X MONTHS". HOW DO THE MANUFACTURERS DETERMINE THIS AGE?
TODAY'S QUESTION COMES FROM FUMIO NAONOBU, 10 YEARS OLD, WHO LIVES IN TOKYO.

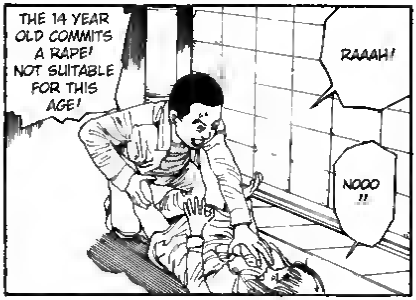

THE ANSWER IS VERY SIMPLE. THEY PERFORM TESTS.

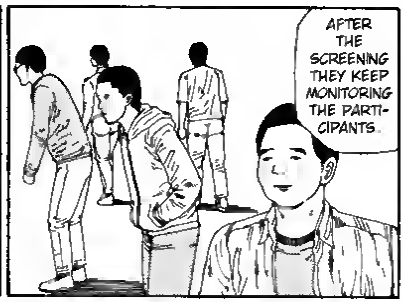

WELL, HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT A TOY IS NOT SUIT-ABLE FOR CHILDREN UNDER TWO YEARS, FOR EXAMPLE?

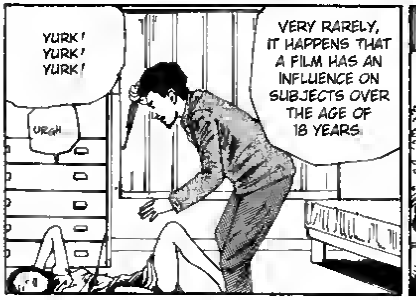

TWO YEARS
1 YEAR
WE TAKE A GROUP OF CHILDREN, STARTING WITH AN INFANT.
6 MONTHS
2 AND A HALF YEARS
18 MONTHS
TAKE FOR EXAMPLE THIS TRICYCLE.
FRAC FRAC
FRAC FRAC
FRAC FRAC
WE TEST THE DANGEROUSNESS OF THE PRODUCT BY TESTING IT ON ALL GUINEA PIGS
18 MONTHS OLD, DEAD!
1 YEAR OLD, DEAD!
NOT RECOMMENDED!
6 MONTHS OLD, DEAD!
AND HE'S DEAD!
URGH
LOOKS LIKE THE TRICYCLE MAY BE SUITABLE FOR 2 YEAR OLDS!
GO, KID!
UUUH

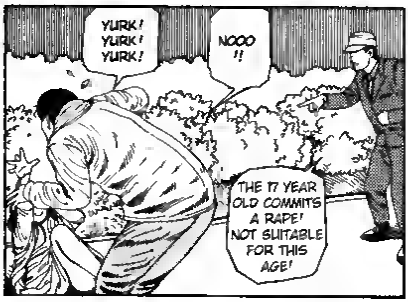

THE THREE-YEAR-OLD CHILD IS FINE! THE MINIMUM AGE IS HEREBY SET AT THREE YEARS!
THE RECOMMENDED MINIMUM AGE IS THE ONE OF THE YOUNGEST GUINEA PIG STILL ALIVE
TESTING THE SAFETY OF ALL THESE BEAUTIFUL TOYS TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT
YES, ALSO FOR CUBES, CONSTRUCTION SETS, TEDDY BEARS
I SEE, SO IT'S THE SAME FOR ALL TOYS
IT'S SAME FOR SWINGS AND THE RIDES AT AMUSEMENT PARKS THEY CONDUCT TESTS WITH CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

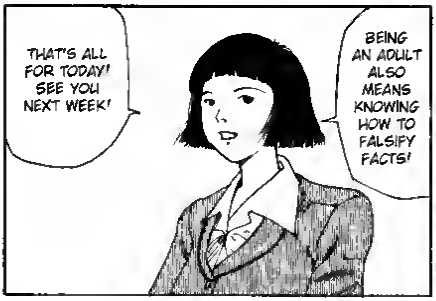

NOT AT ALL! THE MINIMUM LEGAL AGE TO SEE A FILM CONTAINING VIOLENT SCENES OR GRAPHIC SEX IS FIXED AFTER A TEST SCREENING FOR AN AUDIENCE OF ALL AGES.
17 YEARS
YUIRK YUIRK YUIRK
NOOO !
19 YEARS
16 YEARS
18 YEARS
15 YEARS
14 YEARS
WHAT ABOUT WHAT IS PROHIBITED FOR MINORS WITH CERTAIN COMICS OR MOVIES? IS THAT EASIER TO DETERMINE?

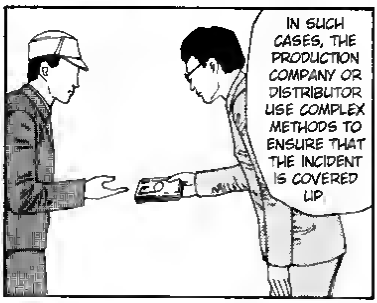

THE 14 YEAR OLD COMMITS A RAPE! NOT SUITABLE FOR THIS AGE!
RAAAH!
NOOO !!


AFTER THE SCREENING THEY KEEP MONITORING THE PARTI-CIPANTS.


YUIRK! YUIRK! YUIRK!
UHGH
VERY RARELY, IT HAPPENS THAT A FILM HAS AN INFLUENCE ON SUBJECTS OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS.


YUIRK! YUIRK! YUIRK!
NOOO !!
THE 17 YEAR OLD COMMITS A RAPE! NOT SUITABLE FOR THIS AGE!


THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY! SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!
BEING AN ADULT ALSO MEANS KNOWING HOW TO FALSIFY FACTS!


IN SUCH CASES, THE PRODUCTION COMPANY OR DISTRIBUTOR USE COMPLEX METHODS TO ENSURE THAT THE INCIDENT IS COVERED UP.

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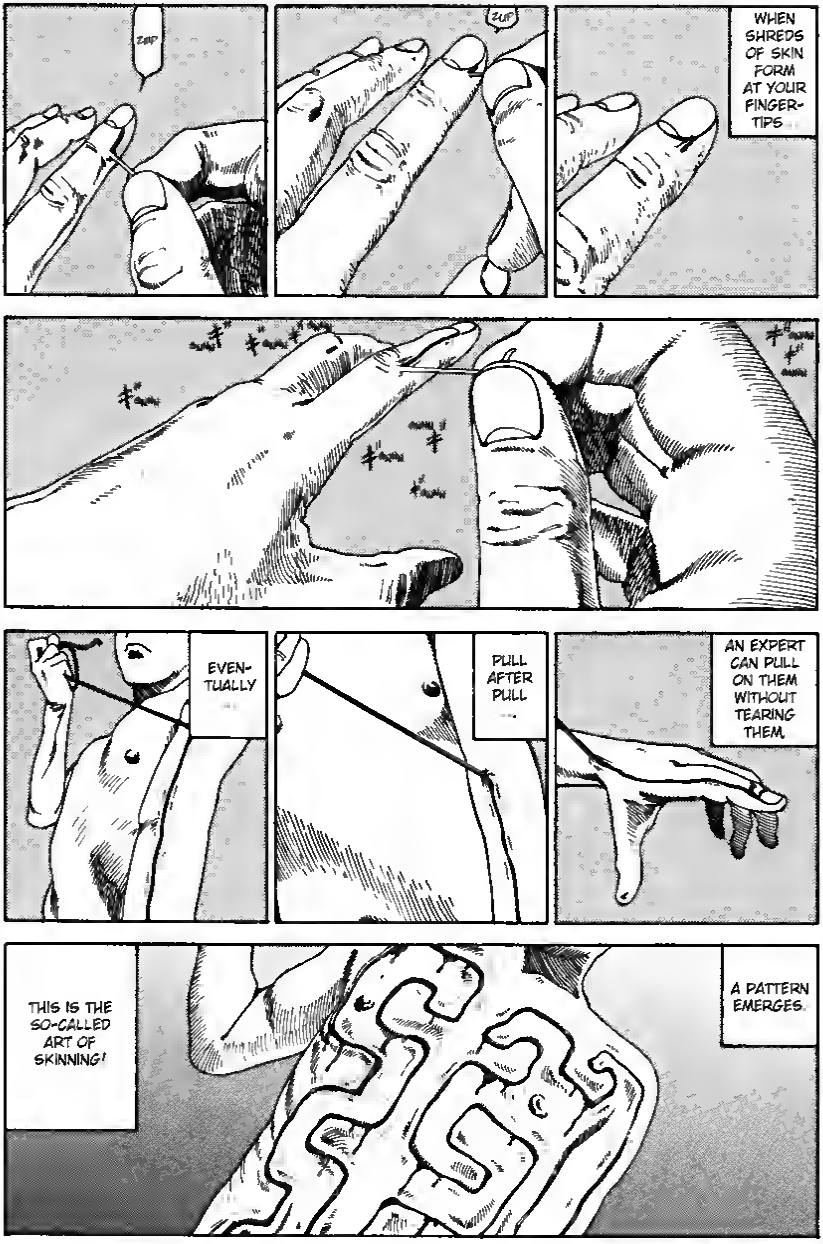
THE ART OF SKINNING


ZAP
ZAP
WHEN SHREDS OF SKIN FORM AT YOUR FINGER-TIPS
EVEN-TUALLY
PULL AFTER PULL
AN EXPERT CAN PULL ON THEM WITHOUT TEARING THEM.
THIS IS THE SO-CALLED ART OF SKINNING!
A PATTERN EMERGES.

GORGEOUS !!
FINISHED
YOU ARE INDEED A WORTHY SUCCESSOR TO THE SHIKAME LINE !!
ZWIP
MADOKA
HOMURA
SPAM
BUT A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT LEFT HER PARALYZED
HOMURA SHIKAME WAS SET TO BECOME THE 25TH LADY PLAYER OF THE FAMILY LINE
EH ?!
NOW, ONLY YOU, MY SISTER, CAN CARRY ON THE FAMILY TORCH!
PINCH A LITTLE FLAP OF SKIN WITH YOUR FINGER-TIPS.
FIRST YOU WILL PRACTICE ON THIS MODEL.
MADOKA BEGAN THE LENGTHY TRAINING THAT WOULD MAKE HER THE 25TH LADY PLAYER OF THE SHIKAME

YOU PULLED TOO HARD !!
AAAH!
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SCUC
LOOK AT THAT! YOU MESSED UP ALL THE SKIN FLAPS OF OUR MODEL!
TRY AGAIN !!
TRY AGAIN !!
I CAN'T BEAR TO SEE HIM SUFFER MARTYRDOM!
COME BACK !!
ENOUGH! I'LL NEVER LEARN IT!
C'MERE, BITCH!
AH! LEAVE ME ALONE!
LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!
WHAT'S UP, GIRL ?

ZWIP
THAT SKIN!
AH!
HII!
GIVE UP!
GWAAARGH!!!
WELL... HE WRITHES IN PAIN AND YET, I FEEL AT PEACE!
ZWIIIIP
YOU WILL BE MY MODELS !!
MADOKA DEVELOPED A NEW CURRENT OF THE ART OF SKINNING AND BECAME THE 25TH LADY PLAYER OF THE SHIKAME LINE

SUMMARY

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SHIT... I'VE FORGOTTEN MY PIN!
WHAT WAS IT AGAIN?
HUH ?!
YOU MOVED, ASS-HOLE!
YOU, THERE!
SHIT, I DON'T BELIEVE THIS!
PUT THE MONEY IN THE BAG!
THE FIRST WHO MOVES BITES IT!
HUH ?!
AAAH!
NOBODY MOVE!
MY LIFE IS PASSING BEFORE MY EYES!
OH ...
WHY ME ?
SHIT... I'LL DIE...
YOU CAN'T FOOL ME!

LOCKER

THAT'S THE LAST TIME I ENTERED MY PIN!
AH! THAT'S ...
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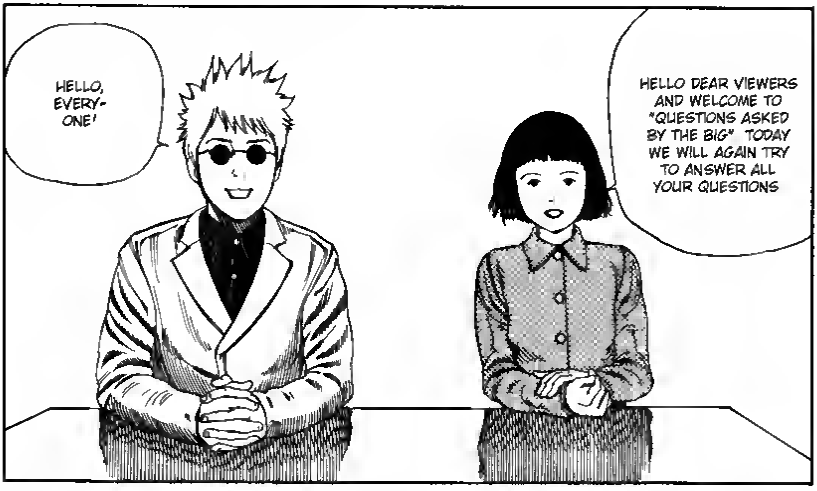
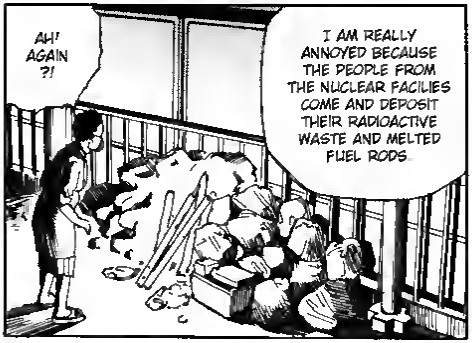
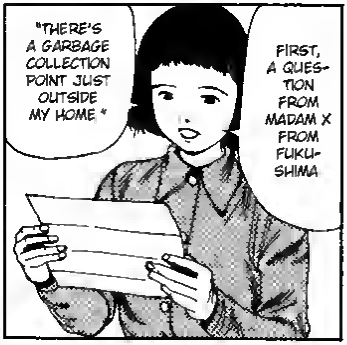
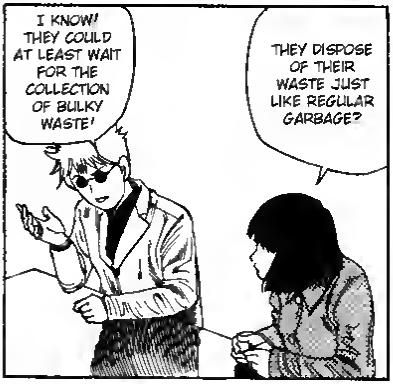
uuuh...
I WAS FINALLY ABLE TO WITHDRAW MY MONEY!
HERE... HERE IT IS!
END

QUESTIONS ASKED BY THE BIG


HELLO, EVERY-ONE!
HELLO DEAR VIEWERS AND WELCOME TO "QUESTIONS ASKED BY THE BIG" TODAY WE WILL AGAIN TRY TO ANSWER ALL YOUR QUESTIONS


AH! AGAIN ?!
I AM REALLY ANNOYED BECAUSE THE PEOPLE FROM THE NUCLEAR FACILIES COME AND DEPOSIT THEIR RADIOACTIVE WASTE AND MELTED FUEL RODS





IN MY OPINION, IT'S TOO LATE TO CORRECT THIS KIND OF BAD BEHAVIOR. BETTER TO JUST LET IT GO.
IT SEEMS THAT THEY ALSO DISPOSE OF THEIR WASTE IN BICYCLE BASKETS.
I PROPOSE INSTEAD TO SEE THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT ANGLE AND RECYCLE THIS USEFUL WASTE!
SAY WHAT?! IS THAT REALLY THE BEST ADVICE FOR OUR VIEWERS?
THEY'RE IDEAL FOR HEATING THE BATH WATER.
AFTER NUCLEAR FISSION, THE FUEL RODS EMIT HEAT CONTINUOUSLY.
THEY'RE ALSO VERY USEFUL FOR PREPARING TEA
THEY CAN ALSO BE USED FOR COOKING.

THE NEXT QUESTION COMES FROM MR KAGO, A MANGA ARTIST BASED IN TOKYO.
I SEE. THANKS FOR THESE TIPS.
IF YOU PLAY AT BEING JEDI KNIGHTS YOU CAN USE THEM AS LIGHT SABRES.
"I'D LIKE COMPENSATION. WHERE CAN I FILE A LAWSUIT?"
"SINCE MY ROO IS LEAKING, MY MANGA BOARDS WERE EXPOSED."
"AFTER THE EMMISSION OF PARTICLES INTO THE ATMOSPHERE, WE'VE HAD RADIOACTIVE RAIN."
THAT SAID, THERE'S A BUCK TO BE MADE BY WORKING FOR THE ELECTRICITY COMPANIES AND DRAWING MANGA WHICH EXTOL THE VIRTUES OF NUCLEAR POWER.
THAT GUY IS SCREWED.
DEFINTELY NOT!
IS THERE A CHANCE OF GETTING COMPENSATION?
I SEE, THAT VIEWER MUST BE SERIOUSLY DOWN AND OUT.

THAT IS QUITE UNDER-STAND-ABLE
"I CAN'T SLEEP AT NIGHT."
"IF THE EMMISSION OF RADIOACTIVE ELEMENTS CONTINUES AT THIS RATE, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO US?"
AND NOW, A QUESTION FROM MR. A, WHO LIVES IN THE KANTO REGION.
ALL YOUR ANXIETIES WILL SOON DISAPPEAR.
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BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT TO YOUR-SELF.
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AFTER ALL, THESE ARE ALREADY THE FINAL MOMENTS OF THIS WORLD
END

DID YOU SPY ON US, WRETCH?!
NO, I SWEAR IT! I'D NEVER DO SUCH A THING!
STOP RIGHT THERE!
I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO SLAY YOU!
HAVE MERCY, SIRE!
PAH! HOW SO?
IT IS CERTAINLY NOT SO!
TO ME, YOU GUYS!

UUURGH!
YOU DOGS !!
DIE!
UAAARGH!

ALL OUR EXCUSES, SIRE!
GOLLY!
DO YOU NOT RECOGNIZE THIS EMBLEM?
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
I... I OWE YOU MY LIFE...
I AM SO GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE SAFE MY DARLING...
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
THERE'S SOME-THING WRONG ...
THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG HERE!
END

THE CLOSED ROOM

WHEN I WOKE UP, THE BODY OF THE MAN OCCUPYING THE NEIGH-BOURING BED WAS ALREADY COLD
ゴオオオ
BRRRooooom!
オオオ
BRRRooooom!
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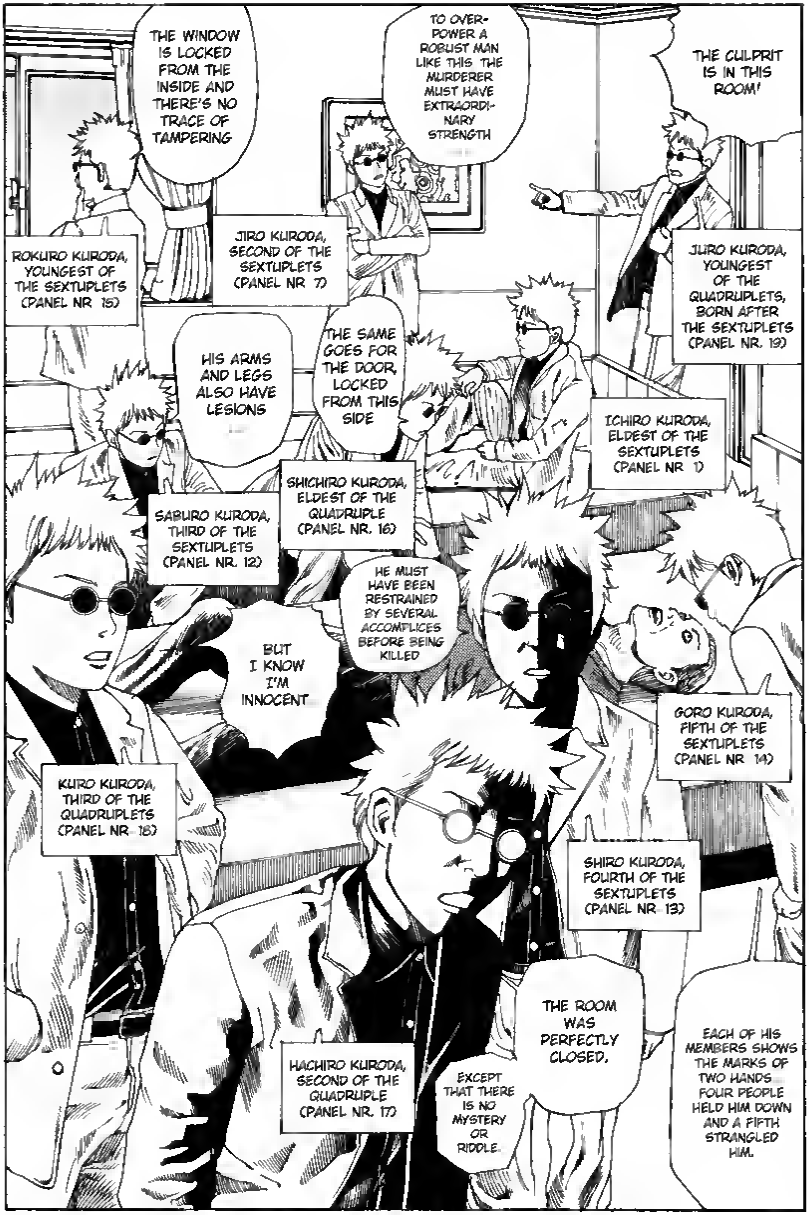
BSSSHHHHH
SO IT SEEMS
NO WAY TO GET BACK IN THIS STORM
GLANG
MY NAME IS KURODA, I'M A TRAVELLING DETECTIVE LAST NIGHT, WHILE I WAS ATTENDING A RECEPTION GIVEN BY A MILLIONAIRE IN HIS VILLA ON THE MOUNTAIN.
THIS IS HOW I FOUND MYSELF SLEEPING IN THE COMPANY OF THIS SOLID FELLOW
DUE TO LACK OF SPACE, I WOULD ASK YOU NEVER-THELESS TO SHARE ROOMS.
I BEG YOU, BE MY GUESTS FOR THE NIGHT.

TO OVER-POWER A ROBUST MAN LIKE THIS, THE MURDERER MUST HAVE EXTRAORDI-NARY STRENGTH
HM?
THESE MARKS ON HIS NECK, WAS HE STRANGLED WITH BARE HANDS?
HIS ARMS AND LEGS ALSO HAVE LESIONS
EACH OF HIS MEMBERS SHOWS THE MARKS OF TWO HANDS... FOUR PEOPLE HELD HIM DOWN AND A FIFTH STRANGLED HIM
HE MUST HAVE BEEN RESTRAINED BY SEVERAL ACCOMPLICES BEFORE BEING KILLED!
CRASH

THERE IS NO OTHER WAY TO ENTER OR LEAVE
THE SAME GOES FOR THE DOOR, LOCKED FROM THIS SIDE
THE WINDOW IS LOCKED FROM THE INSIDE AND THERE'S NO TRACE OF TAMPERING
CRASH
THE ROOM WAS PERFECTLY CLOSED!
THE CULPRIT IS IN THIS ROOM!
EVERYTHING POINTS AT ME AS THE MURDERER
BUT I KNOW I'M INNOCENT!
NO MATTER, THERE'S NO ENIGMA TOO COMPLEX FOR MY MIND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ROKURO KURODA, YOUNGEST OF THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR 15)
JIRO KURODA, SECOND OF THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR 7)
JURO KURODA, YOUNGEST OF THE QUADRUPLETS, BORN AFTER THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR. 19)
HIS ARMS AND LEGS ALSO HAVE LESIONS
THE SAME GOES FOR THE DOOR, LOCKED FROM THIS SIDE
ICHIRO KURODA, ELDEST OF THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR 1)
SHICHIRO KURODA, ELDEST OF THE QUADRUPLE (PANEL NR. 16)
SABURO KURODA, THIRD OF THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR. 12)
HE MUST HAVE BEEN RESTRAINED BY SEVERAL ACCOMPLICES BEFORE BEING KILLED
BUT I KNOW I'M INNOCENT
GORO KURODA, FIFTH OF THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR 14)
KURO KURODA, THIRD OF THE QUADRUPLETS (PANEL NR. 18)
SHIRO KURODA, FOURTH OF THE SEXTUPLETS (PANEL NR 13)
THE ROOM WAS PERFECTLY CLOSED,
EACH OF HIS MEMBERS SHOWS THE MARKS OF TWO HANDS. FOUR PEOPLE HELD HIM DOWN AND A FIFTH STRANGLED HIM.
HACHIRO KURODA, SECOND OF THE QUADRUPLE (PANEL NR. 17)
EXCEPT THAT THERE IS NO MYSTERY OR RIDDLE.

END

THE "CAN AN ACCIDENTAL COLLISION ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL RESULT IN A KISS?" EXPERIMENT

HUF...
HAAA...
NOOO !!!
AAAH !!!
YOU ALREADY GOT PAID! THERE'S NO PULLING OUT NOW!
MERSCHY! LESCH USCH GO...
WE CAN'T
OK, WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO THE NEXT TEST
THIS IS THE FIFTEENTH ATTEMPT ON YOUR MARKS
READY ?
BANG
THE TEMPERATURE IS 25 DEGREES, A NORTHEAST WIND BLOWING AT 5 KM/H
IT'S EXACTLY 2 30 AND 25 SECONDS P.M
THIS TIME, YOU WILL BEGIN TO RUN FROM HERE
YOU START AT MY SIGNAL

OH CRAP, I'M LATE!
TAP
I SPENT ALL NIGHT ON THE INTERNET AND DIDN'T HEAR THE ALARM!
IF I ARRIVE LATE FOR PHYSICS CLASS, MR. YOSHITSUKA WILL SCOLD ME IN FRONT OF THE WHOLE CLASS!
AAAH !!!
OUAAAH !!!
FASTER! ONLY FIVE MORE MINUTES!

AAH! I BROKE A TOOTH!
SHE BRUISED MY CHEEK!
スリキ
SLIM
ALSO, THE BOY WAS PUSHED BY A SLIGHT TAILWIND
THEREFORE, HE ARRIVED TOO QUICKLY AND EXCEEDED THE MEETING POINT.
THE SLIGHTEST SHIFT IS SUFFICIENT FOR THEIR MOUTHS TO NOT COME INTO CONTACT.
I SEE
UM, WE MUST CORRECT THE ANGLE OF IMPACT
THIS MIRACULOUS EVENT... CAN IT REALLY HAPPEN?!
OH CRAP
CAN AN ACCIDENTAL COLLISION ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL LEAD TO A KISS?!
SMACK
THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF MY RESEARCH !!
AND IF SO, UNDER WHICH CONDITIONS ?!
UHHH, PLEASE, LET ME GO!
GO THERE AGAIN.
ZZZZZZ
FRSHH
FRSHH
OUT OF THE QUES-TION!

THE EXPERIMENT IS A SUCCESS !!
I DID IT! THEY KISSED ON THE MOUTH!!
CONGRAT-ULATIONS, PROFESSOR!
OH CRAP, I'M LATE!
CAN AN ACCIDENTAL COLLISION OF TWO CARS ALSO LEAD TO A KISS?
SCHEN WE LEASCH NOW, CRASCHY BASCHTARD?
I ASK MYSELF ANOTHER QUES-TION
NOT SO FAST, I'M NOT DONE WITH YOU.
ANOTHER SUCCESS !!
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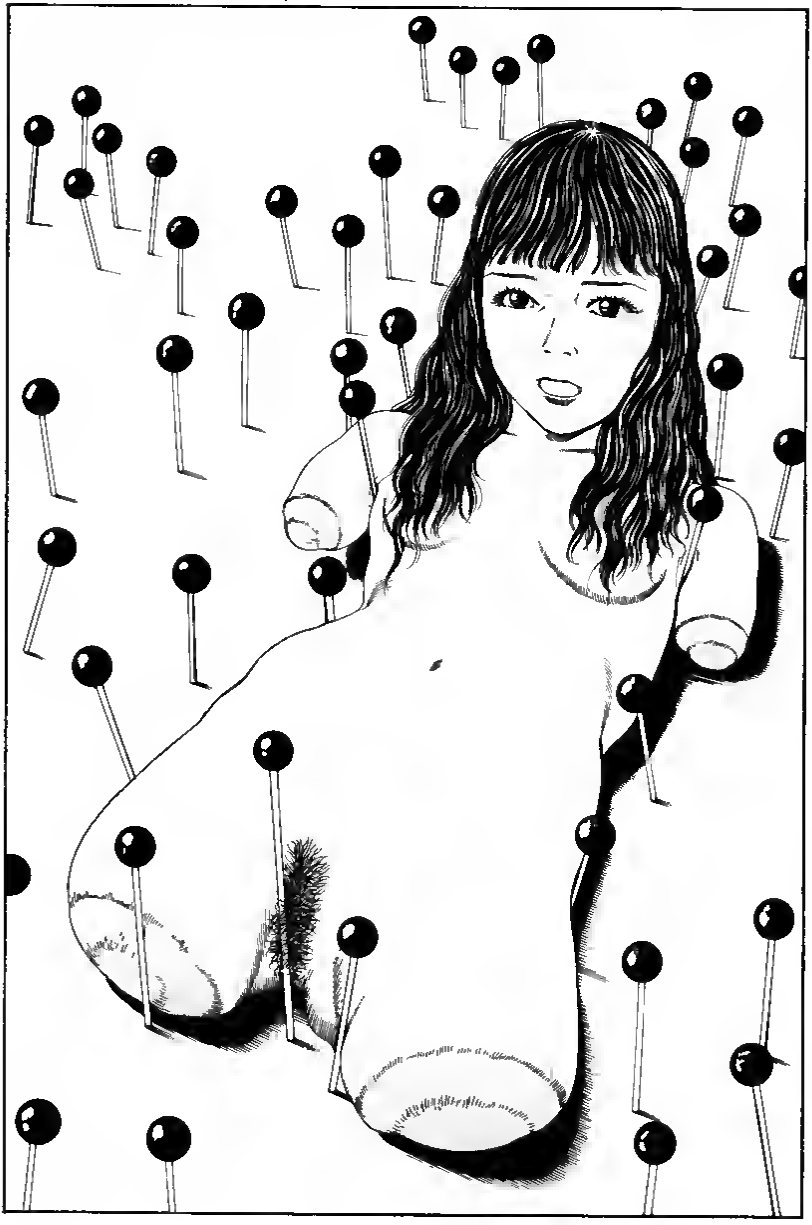
CRUSH
CRUSH
END

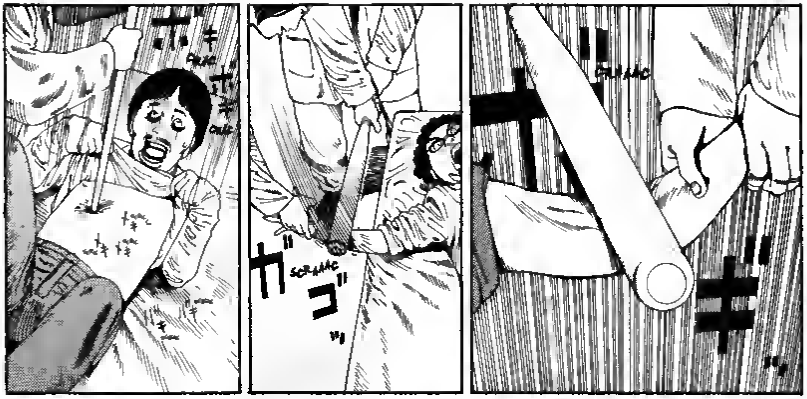


TSUKASA DOMYOJI
EITOKU MEDICAL SCHOOL, STOMPING GROUNDS OF THE SONS OF THE RICHEST MEN IN JAPAN
PIECE OF CAKE! THE OTHERS DIDN'T FARE WELL BUT I...
SOJIRO NISHIKADO
HOW WAS THE DISSECTION ?
HEY, DOMYOJI! YOU'RE EARLY TODAY!
HEY GUYS!
ズバッ SLAM ーン
AKIRA MINAMISAKA
RUI HANAZAWA
WHAT COULD WE DO TO SPICE UP OUR DREARY STUDENT LIVES?
THE LEVEL IS TOO LOW AT THIS SCHOOL... HOW BORING!
VERY TRUE

AND WE'LL EASILY HAVE OUR PICK AMONG ALL THE NURSES
IT'S DEPRESSING
EVENTUALLY WE WILL FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF OUR FATHERS AND BECOME CLINIC DIRECTORS... OUR PATHS ARE SET!!
I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO BEING ARRESTED, TAKEN TO THE STATION, INTERROGATED
THE OTHER DAY, I WAS SO BORED THAT I RAN OVER SOME OLD FART!
FOR REAL?
BUT MY FATHER HAD NOTHING BETTER TO DO THAN TO BUY THE SILENCE OF THE VICTIM!!
HE MESSED UP EVERYTHING!
BEING RICH SURE SUCKS!
"THE IMPLEMENTATION OF URBAN LEGENDS"!
I CALL IT...
ACTUALLY, I HAD A GREAT IDEA THE OTHER DAY...
WHAT IS IT?

THAT NEVER HAPPENED ANYWHERE. IN FACT IT'S NOTHING BUT AN URBAN LEGEND
LOTS OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN MEDICAL STUDIES FOR MONEY.
HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE ONE WHERE THEY BREAK THEIR LIMBS TO STUDY THE REGENERATION OF THEIR BONES IN EXCHANGE FOR A HUGE COMPENSATION?
SOUNDS VERY PROMISING!
GOOD IDEA!
WOULD PEOPLE REALLY BE WILLING TO DO THIS FOR MONEY?
WE COULD TRY IT
BUT WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF WE PUBLISHED THAT KIND OF ADVERTISEMENT?
JOB OPPORTUNITY
RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS FOR MEDICAL STUDY
RESEARCH PROFILE. AGE 18-24
COMPENSATION 20000 YEN PER HOUR
JOB DESCRIPTION.
PARTICIPANTS WILL UNDERGO MULTIPLE FRACTURES IN THE CONTEXT OF STUDIES ON BONE REGENERATION
WHAT ?!

THEY WANT TO DO IT, THOSE SONS OF BITCHES!
DAMN, DID YOU SEE THE QUEUE ?!
LONG LIVE THE CRISIS! LONG LIVE SOCIAL INEQUALITY!
EH? WITHOUT ANESTHESIA ?!
GO!
ABSOLUTELY.
INDEED
UH... YOU'LL REALLY BREAK MY BONES ?!
IT'S OK! DO IT!
UUUH..
UH..
IS THAT A PROBLEM FOR YOU?
HERE'S A WEEK'S SALARY IN ADVANCE.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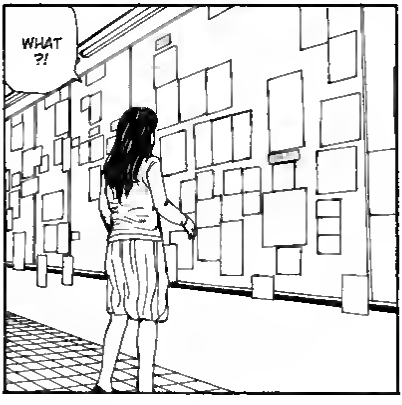
JUST INCREASE THE MONEY!
BURNING, GUTTING, STRIPPING
WHAT IF WE ADDED A LITTLE MORE SPICE?

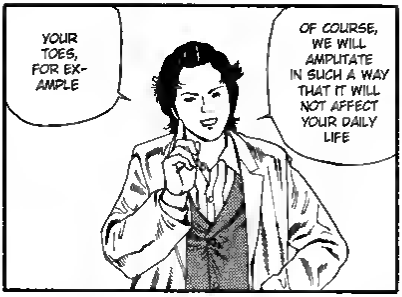
AAAH, WHAT IDIOTS!
THEY'RE REALLY DESPERATE FOR THE DOUGH!
WHA HA HA HA HA HA!

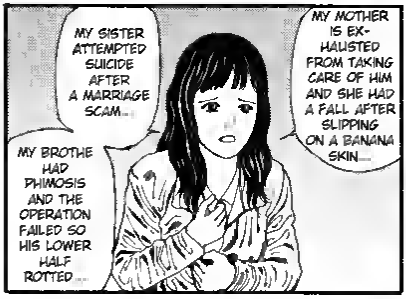
JOB OPPORTUNITY
RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS FOR MEDICAL STUDY
RESEARCH PROFILE: AGE 18-24
COMPENSATION: 100 000 YEN PER HOUR
JOB DESCRIPTION
PARTICIPANTS WILL UNDERGO AMPUTATIONS AS PART OF A STUDY ON CELL REGENERATION


WHAT ?!

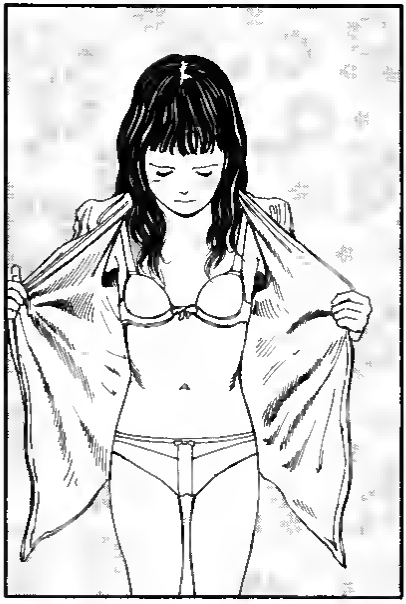
MAYBE WE WERE A LITTLE TOO AMBITIOUS THIS TIME.
WITH A SALARY THAT HIGH, PEOPLE WERE BOUND TO GET SUSPICIOUS.
HMM.
I SAW YOUR AD... IS ALL THAT TRUE?
TSUKUSHI MAKINO
UM
UH— I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DETAILS ON THE AMPUTATIONS
CAN WE START NOW?
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING TO US.
OF COURSE!

EVENTUALLY, YOU MIGHT REGROW YOUR LOST PARTS!
WE ARE WORKING ON A CELL REGENERATION TREATMENT...


YOUR TOES, FOR EXAMPLE
OF COURSE, WE WILL AMPUTATE IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT WILL NOT AFFECT YOUR DAILY LIFE

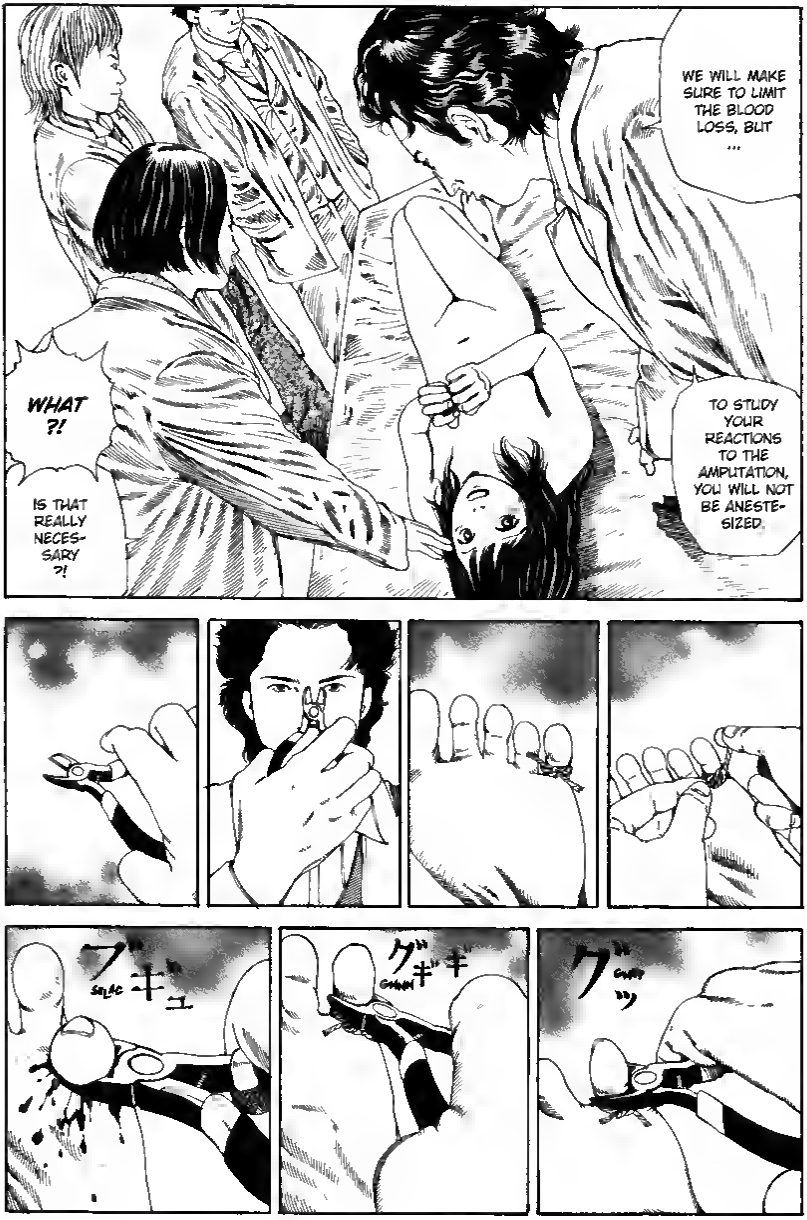

MY SISTER ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AFTER A MARRIAGE SCAM...
MY MOTHER IS EXHAUSTED FROM TAKING CARE OF HIM AND SHE HAD A FALL AFTER SLIPPING ON A BANANA SKIN...
MY BROTHE HAD PHIMOSIS AND THE OPERATION FAILED SO HIS LOWER HALF ROTTED...

MY FATHER IS DEEP IN DEBT AND JUST FELL SICK...
SORRY FOR BEING INDISCREET, BUT DO YOU HAVE FINANCIAL PROBLEMS ?



I SEE THAT'S TERRIBLE...
IF I DON'T FIND A WAY TO MAKE MONEY, MY WHOLE FAMILY WILL DISAPPEAR!

PLEASE UNDRESS
SO LET'S GET TO WORK


WE WILL MAKE SURE TO LIMIT THE BLOOD LOSS, BUT ...
TO STUDY YOUR REACTIONS TO THE AMPUTATION, YOU WILL NOT BE ANESTE-SIZED.
WHAT ?!
IS THAT REALLY NECES-SARY ?!
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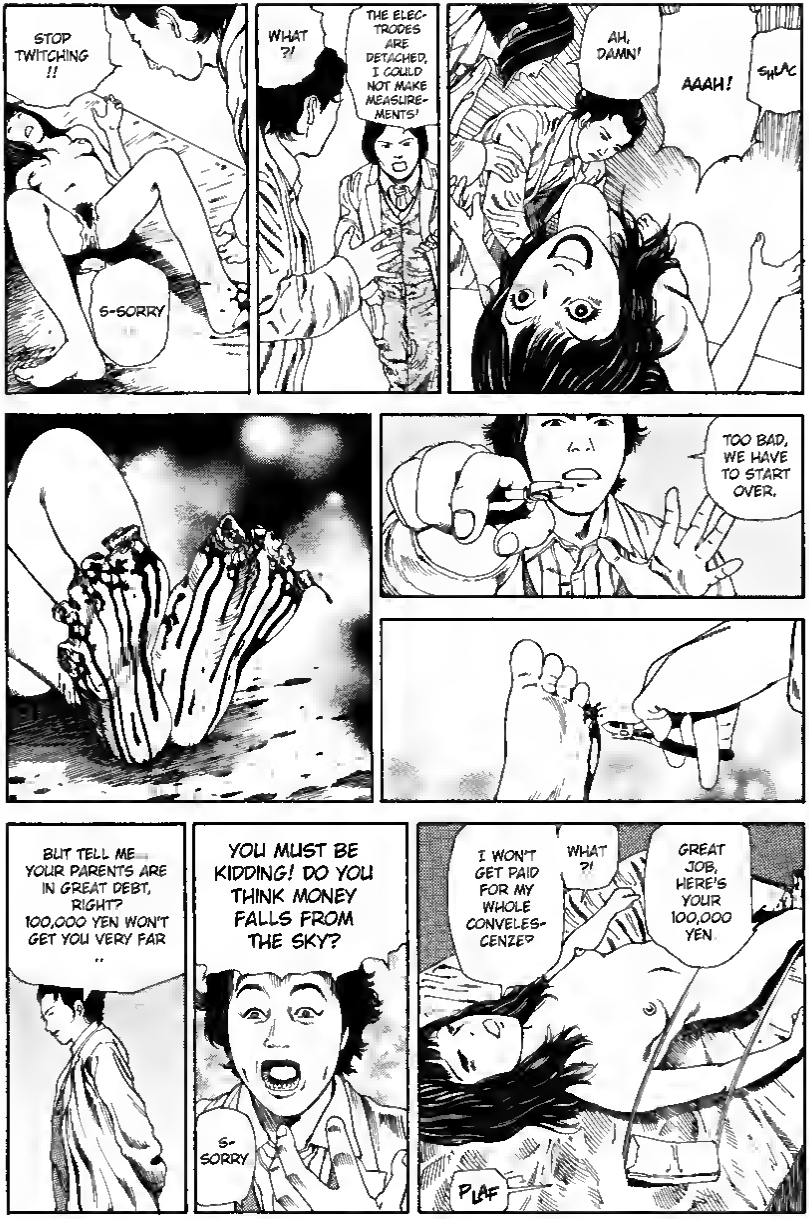
グギギギ GRRRR
グッ CHOP


STOP TWITCHING !!
S-SORRY
WHAT ?!
THE ELECTRODES ARE DETACHED, I COULD NOT MAKE MEASUREMENTS!
AH, DAMN!
AAAH!
SHLAC
TOO BAD, WE HAVE TO START OVER.
BUT TELL ME... YOUR PARENTS ARE IN GREAT DEBT, RIGHT? 100,000 YEN WON'T GET YOU VERY FAR ..
YOU MUST BE KIDDING! DO YOU THINK MONEY FALLS FROM THE SKY?
S-SORRY
I WON'T GET PAID FOR MY WHOLE CONVELES-CENZE?
WHAT ?!
GREAT JOB, HERE'S YOUR 100,000 YEN
PLAF

I ACCEPT !!
IT'S OK!
AH, WAIT!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO, THEN SO BE IT, NOBODY'S FORCING YOU...
ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT TO SAVE YOUR FAMILY?!
WE HAVE ANOTHER JOB FOR YOU! IT'S NO PICNIC, BUT YOU WILL BE PAID 500,000 YEN AN HOUR!
SRIP
CLACK!
YES
ARE YOU READY ?
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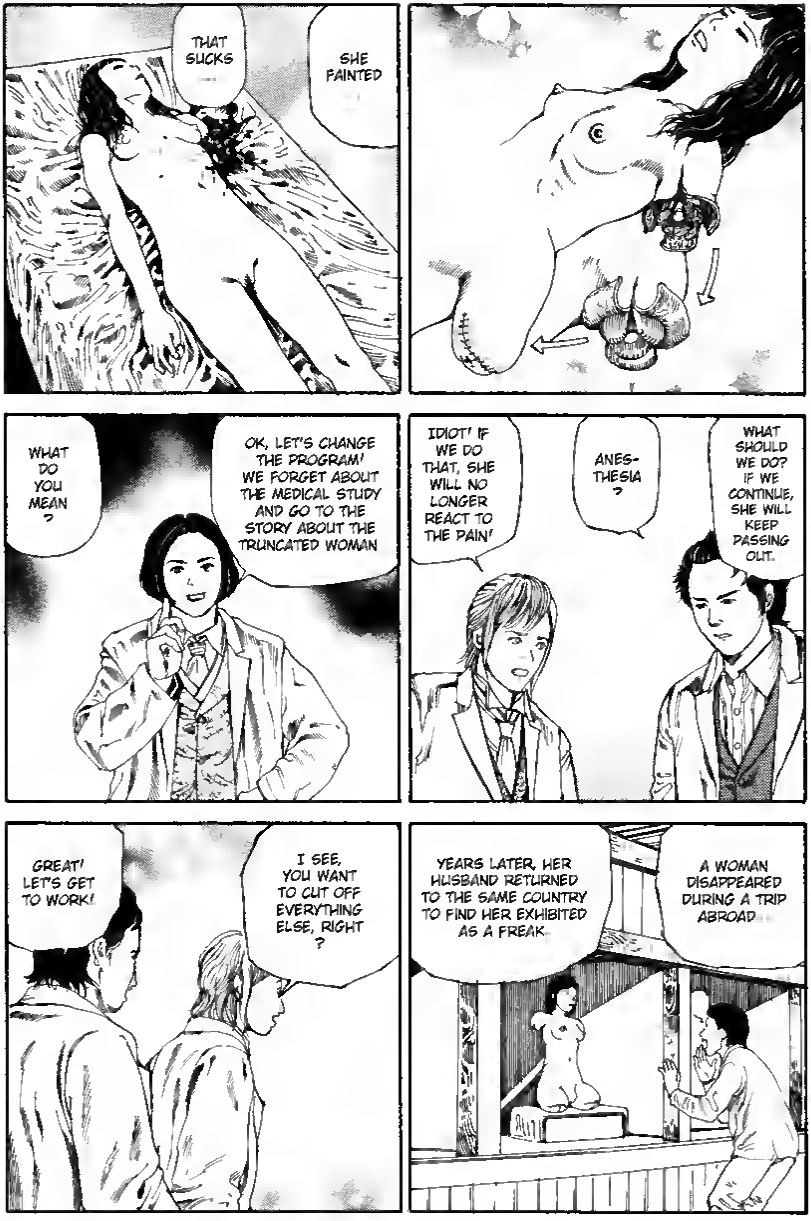
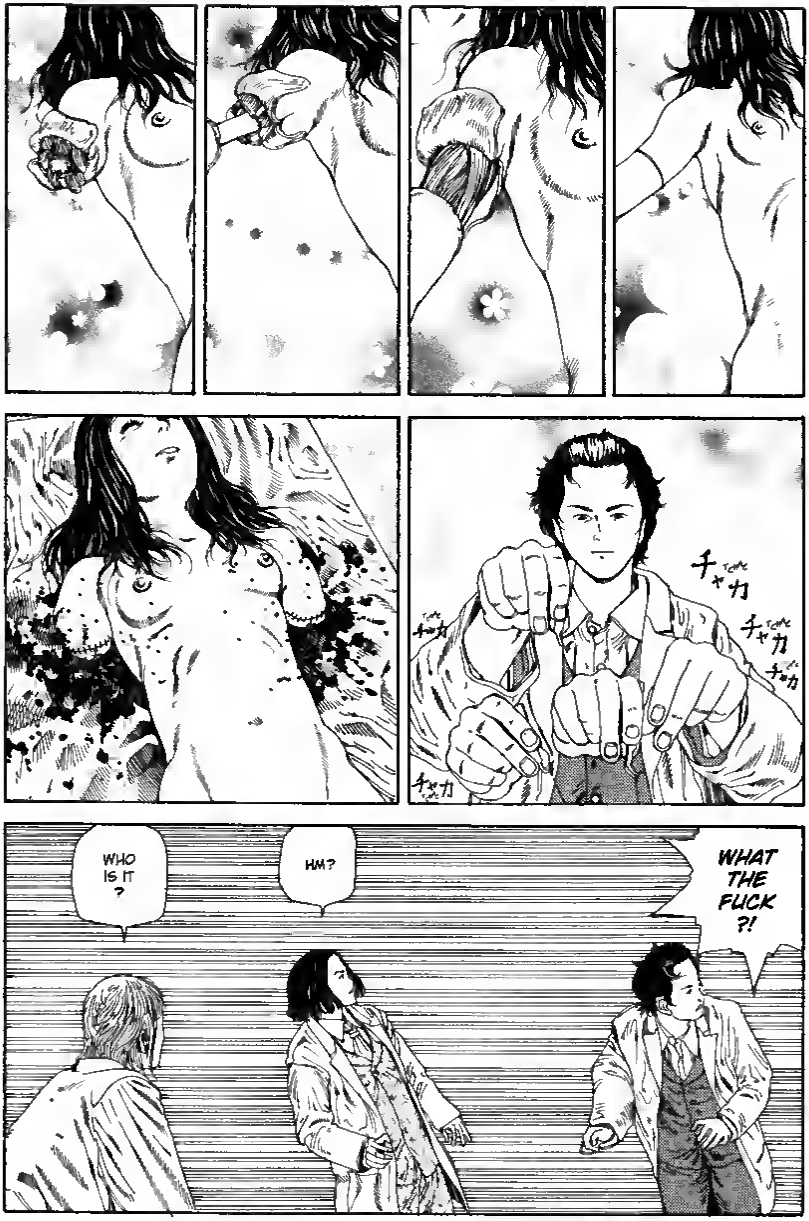
FRAC
THAT'S ODD, I CAN'T CUT ANY FUR-THER!
AH, THAT'S WHY
THE BLADE IS STUCK IN THE BONE, IDIOT!


THAT SUCKS
SHE FAINTED
WHAT DO YOU MEAN ?
OK, LET'S CHANGE THE PROGRAM! WE FORGET ABOUT THE MEDICAL STUDY AND GO TO THE STORY ABOUT THE TRUNCATED WOMAN
IDIOT! IF WE DO THAT, SHE WILL NO LONGER REACT TO THE PAIN!
ANES-THESIA ?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? IF WE CONTINUE, SHE WILL KEEP PASSING OUT.
GREAT! LET'S GET TO WORK!
I SEE, YOU WANT TO CUT OFF EVERYTHING ELSE, RIGHT ?
YEARS LATER, HER HUSBAND RETURNED TO THE SAME COUNTRY TO FIND HER EXHIBITED AS A FREAK.
A WOMAN DISAPPEARED DURING A TRIP ABROAD...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WHO IS IT ?
HM?
WHAT THE FUCK ?!

AAAH, TSUKUSHI... BASTARDS!
I'M TSUKUSHI MAKINO'S FIANCEE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
STOP YOUR BULL-SHIT!
YOU'RE GOING TO PLAY THE ROLE OF THE HUSBAND!
YOU'VE COME JUST AT THE RIGHT MOMENT! WE HAVE A JOB FOR YOU!
AFTER YEARS OF SEARCHING, YOU FIND YOUR WIFE IN THIS CONDITION
SLURSHHH

AT THE HOS-PITAL
WHERE AM I ?!
EVERY-THING IS OK NOW
AH!
THESE BIONIC ARMS HAVE 10,000 HORSE POWER!
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UAAH! WHAT FORCE!
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THEY CAN LAUNCH ROCKETS AND SHOOT LASERS!
WE HAD THEM GIVE YOU THE LATEST IN ARTIFICIAL LIMBS.
BUT... THEY CUT OFF MY ARMS AND LEGS...
THAT'S A LITTLE SUDDEN ....
LET ME MARRY YOUR DAUGH-TER!
WE WILL RESUME OUR NORMAL LIVES!
HA HA HA HA HA!
YOU ARE FULLY HEALED! WHAT A RELIEF!
SIS!
TSU-KU-SHI!

THAT'S THE EFFECT OF THE MORPHINE I GAVE HER.
WATCH HOW SHE LAUGHS.
MAYBE SHE'LL GO CRAZY.
THE CLASH BETWEEN DREAM AND REALITY MUST BE BRUTAL.
I WONDER WHAT WILL GO THROUGH HER HEAD WHEN SHE WAKES UP.
YEAH, HOW IS SHE GOING TO DO THAT WITH NO ARMS OR LEGS? BY BITING HER TONGUE?
I DON'T THINK THAT'S ENOUGH TO DIE
I HATE TO WAKE UP...
YOU THINK SHE WILL TRY TO COMMIT SUICIDE?

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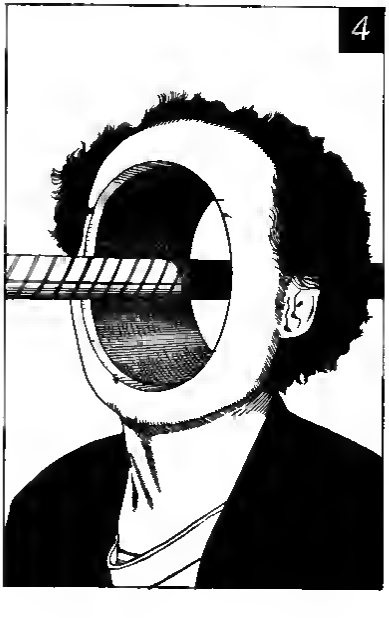
DISINTEGRATION OF A FACE



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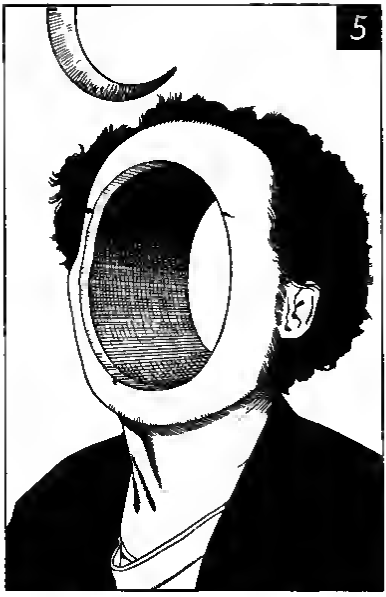
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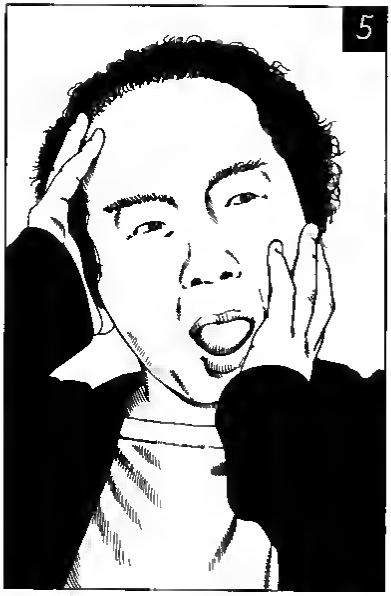
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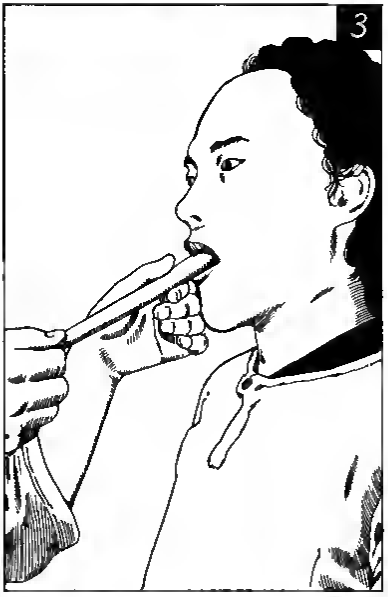
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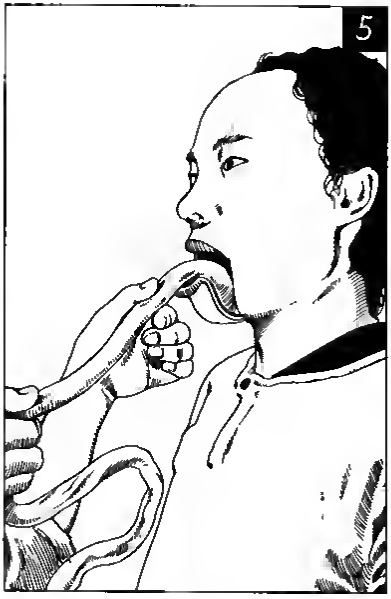
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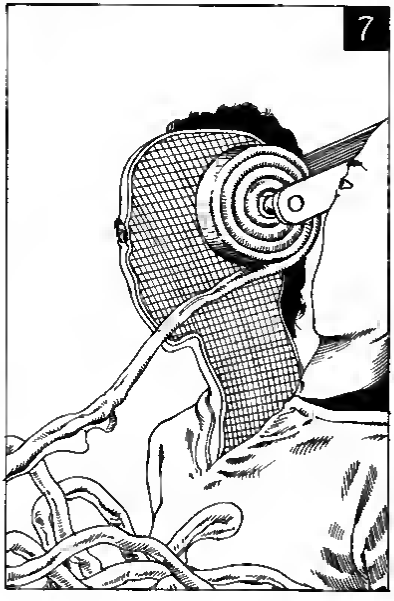
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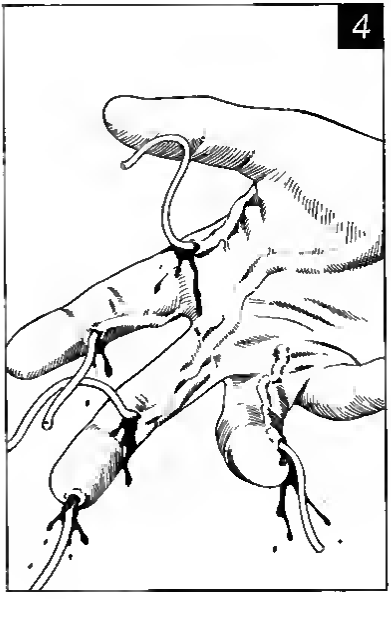
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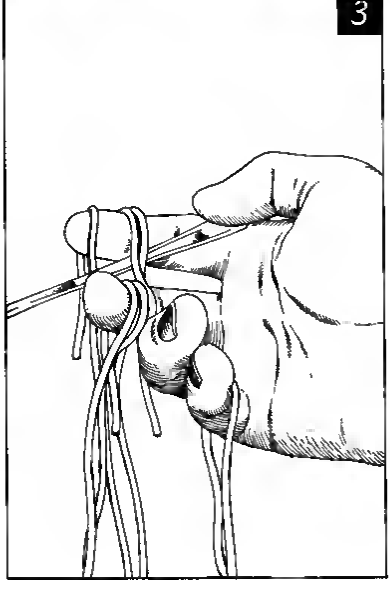
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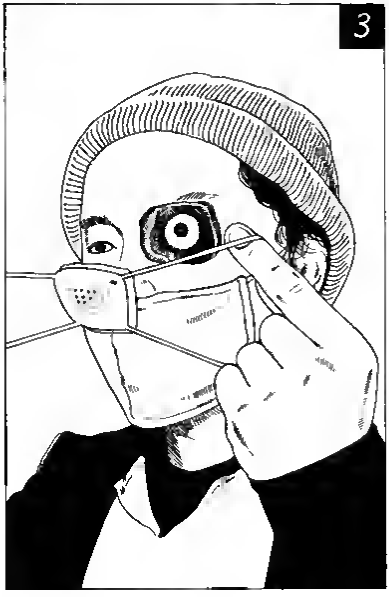
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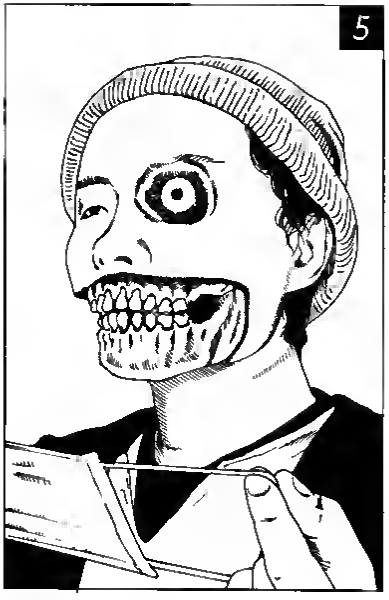
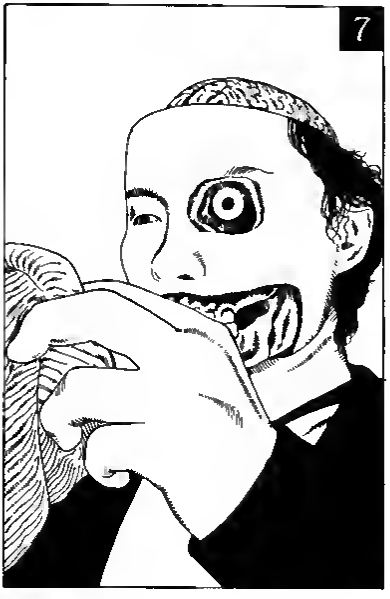




END

BEER

NO PARKING

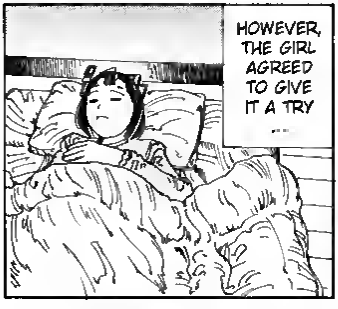
IT'S AGAINST THE RULES!
HEY, WHAT'S WITH THAT HAT?!
AH, A TON-SURE !!
NO !!
TAKE IT OFF!
AAAH!
SHE'S BALD!
PATH-ETIC!

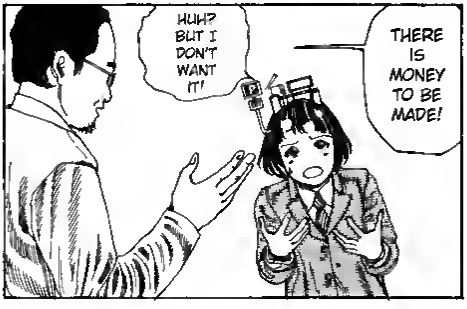
NO, THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT.
IS IT DUE TO STRESS, DOCTOR?
IT'S A SIGN OF AN UFO LANDING!!
HUH ?!
THE SAME THING HAPPENS ON YOUR HEAD!
HAVE YOU HEARD OF CROP CIRCLES? THESE ARE PATTERNS MADE IN FIELDS OF GRAIN. THEY ARE FOUND MAINLY IN ENGLAND.
SOME SAY THEY WERE LEFT BY FLYING SAUCERS.

AH!
IN FACT, WE HAVE ALSO BEEN VICTIMS ...
THERE IS CURRENTLY A RESURGENCE OF SIMILAR CASES.
JUST PUT UP A "NO PARKING" SIGN!!
IT'S VERY SIMPLE ...
BUT WHAT CAN WE DO?!
WHEW, IT LOOKS LIKE THEY NO LONGER LAND ON MY HEAD..
AFTER PUTTING UP THE SIGN...

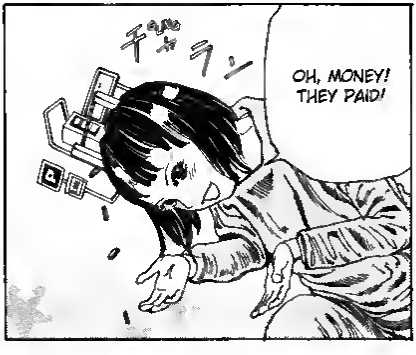
AAAARGH!!!
BUT UNFORTUNATELY...
DO SOMETHING !!
SINCE THE UFOS CAN NO LONGER LAND ON THE TOP OF THE HEAD, THEY LAND ELSEWHERE.
MEANING ?
ALRIGHT, LET'S APPROACH THE PROBLEM DIFFERENTLY.
IT'S USELESS, THEY ALWAYS FIND A PLACE TO LAND!
ALL WE CAN DO IS INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SIGNS.

P
CHARGE THEM FOR PARKING !!


HOWEVER, THE GIRL AGREED TO GIVE IT A TRY ...


HUH? BUT I DON'T WANT IT!
THERE IS MONEY TO BE MADE!

WAAAH!
THE NEXT DAYS BROUGHT THE SAME RESULT.

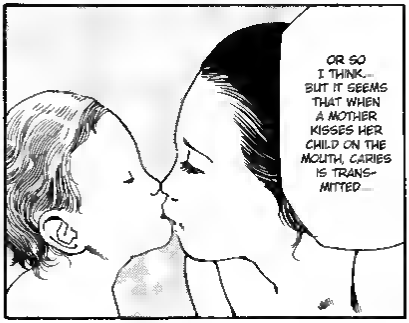

OH, MONEY! THEY PAID!

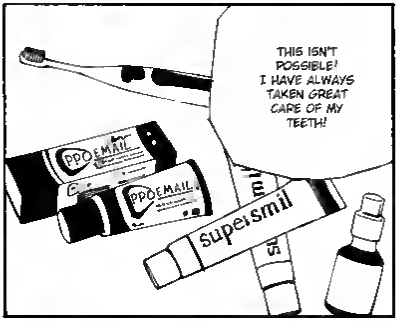
OH, BUT ...
WOULDN'T THIS BE A WAY TO MAKE MONEY WITHOUT WORKING ?
SADLY, THE GIRL'S MOTHER WAS LAZY AND GREEDY.
WHAT IS THIS ?!
UGH! MY HEAD IS HEAVY!
TAKE IT OFF !!
CAFE DRIVE
SELF
THERE IS EVEN A TAKE-AWAY COUNTER
AH! I CAN'T REMOVE IT!
SO YOU'LL BRING IN MORE DOUGH!
I IN-STALLED A FEW MORE LEVELS ...

BUT THEN... IF THEY GATHER IN SUCH LARGE NUMBERS ON THE GIRL'S HEAD, IT COULD BE DANGEROUS!
HMM WELL, MAYBE
WHY ARE THERE SO MANY UFOS, DOCTOR?
WHO KNOWS? MAYBE THEY PREPARE FOR INVASION
THE BODY OF THE GIRL WAS TRANSFORMED INTO AN OUTPOST FOR THE ALIEN INVASION.

END

OUCH
OH NO A ROTTEN TOOTH?


OR SO I THINK... BUT IT SEEMS THAT WHEN A MOTHER KISSES HER CHILD ON THE MOUTH, CARIES IS TRANSMITTED...


THIS ISN'T POSSIBLE! I HAVE ALWAYS TAKEN GREAT CARE OF MY TEETH!
PROEMAIL
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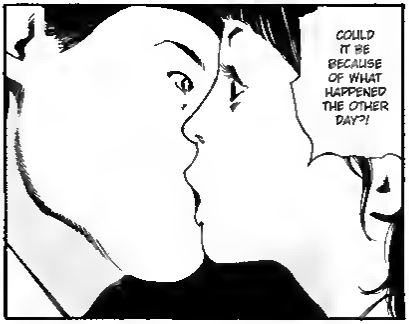
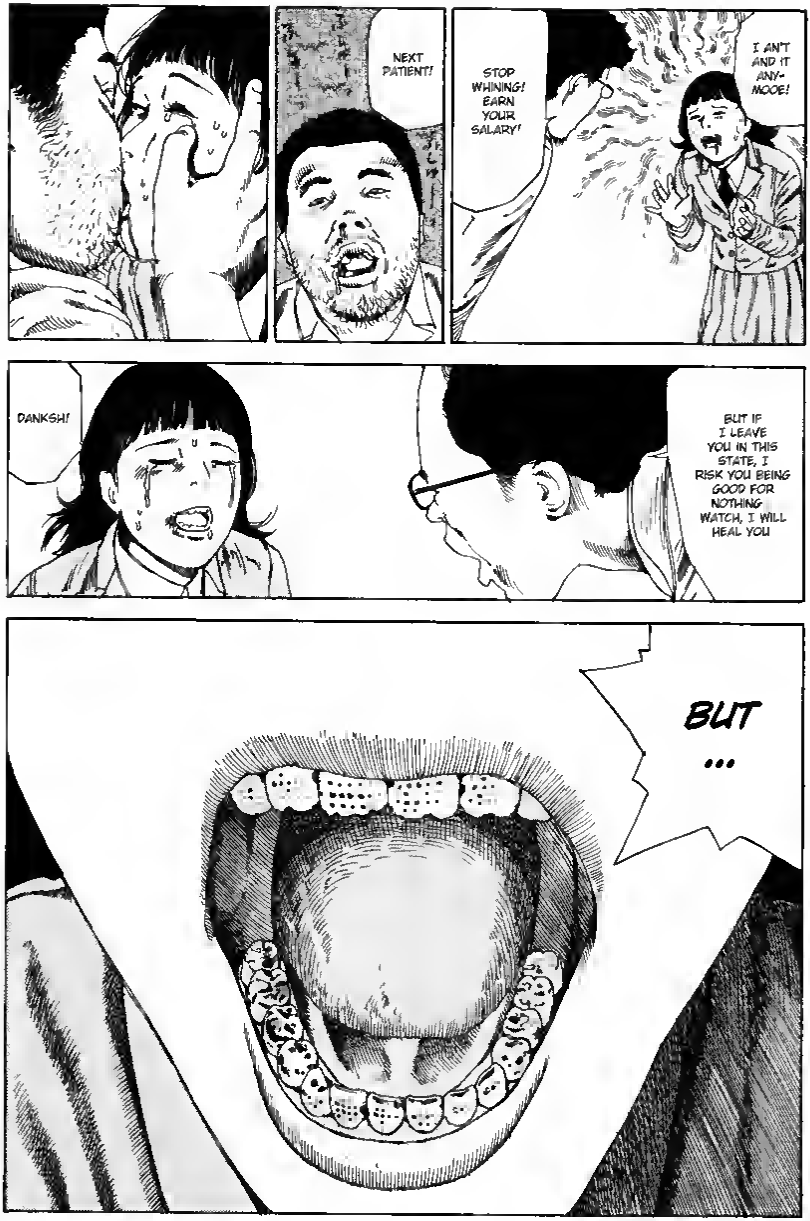
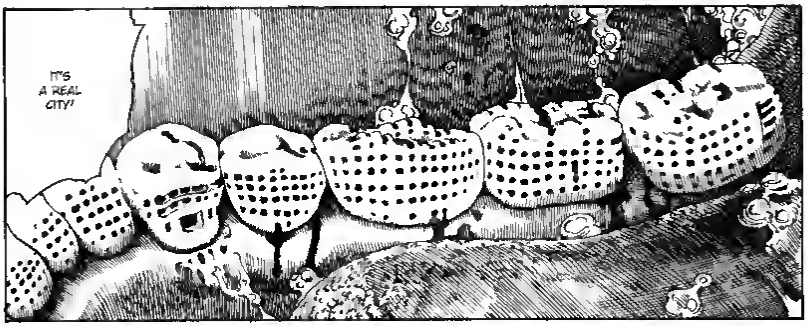
GOSH! I SUFFERED AGONIES BUT NOW MY CARIES IS GONE!
JUN MATSUMOTO, THE BOY SHE KISSED


COULD IT BE BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED THE OTHER DAY?!

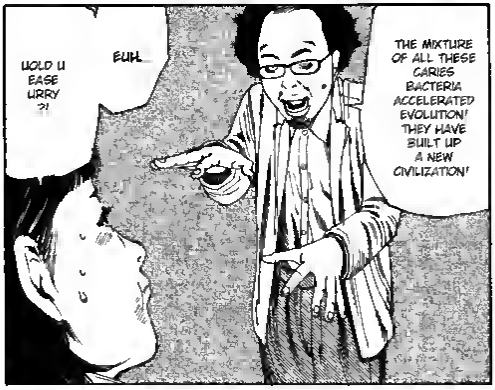
HUH ?
THANKS, HARUKA!
ACCIDENTAL KISS
SMACK
チュン
IT SEEMS WE CAN GET RID OF A COLD BY PASSING IT ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. COULD IT BE TRUE?!
YOU READ MY LETTER ?
AH! UH YES!
I MUST BE DREAMING! IT'S FROM MASAKI!
A LOVE LETTER IN MY LOCKER! HOW TACKY!
DAYS LATER...
EH... ALREADY ?!
COOL!
OF COURSE I AGREE TO GO OUT WITH YOU!
SO WHAT WILL IT BE ?
IT WORKED!
OWWW !!
HM?

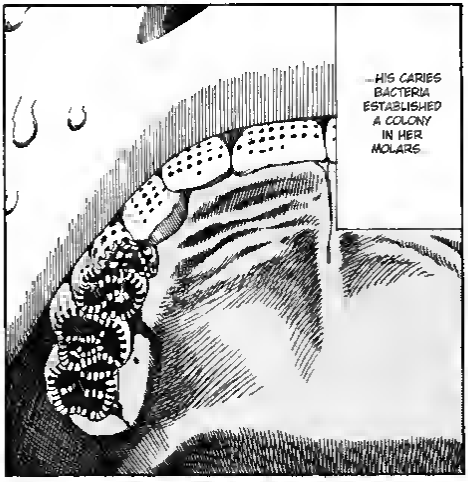
THE RUMOR SPREAD ALL OVER THE SCHOOL THAT IT WAS ENOUGH TO KISS HARUKA AYASE ON THE MOUTH TO HEAL ONE'S CARIES AND THE GIRL WAS SOON BESIEGED BY REQUESTS
UUUMN-GHHH...
MY TEETH...
UH.
SHLURP
IT REALLY HURTS!
I HEARD ABOUT YOU! WOULD YOU WORK AT MY OFFICE ?!
OH FUCK!
UUUH
UUUH...
NEXT!
AND SO, HARUKA AYASE BEGAN TO WORK FOR A SECOND-RATE DENTIST FOR 1,000 YEN PER HOUR.
Dr POPO


NEXT PATIENT!
STOP WHINING! EARN YOUR SALARY!
I AIN'T AND IT ANY-MOOE!
DANKSH!
BUT IF I LEAVE YOU IN THIS STATE, I RISK YOU BEING GOOD FOR NOTHING WATCH, I WILL HEAL YOU
BUT ...


IT'S A REAL CITY!

BUT... BUT I
NO WAY! I WANT TO SEE HOW ALL HIS WILL END!

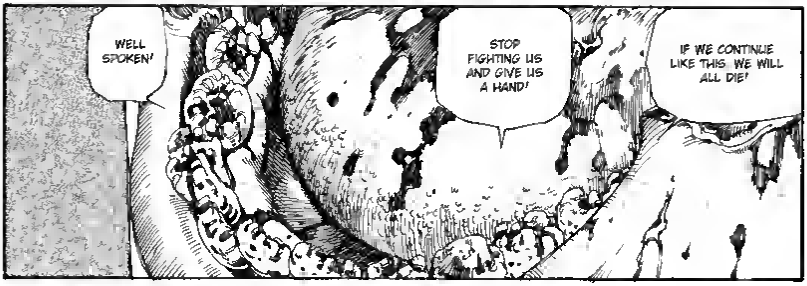

EUH...
UOLD U BASE URRY ?!
THE MIXTURE OF ALL THESE CARIES BACTERIA ACCELERATED EVOLUTION! THEY HAVE BUILT UP A NEW CIVILIZATION!

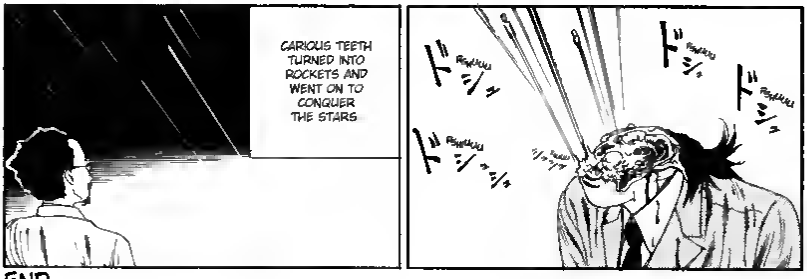

...HIS CARIES BACTERIA ESTABLISHED A COLONY IN HER MOLARS

HARUKA CONTINUED TO PROVIDE HER ORAL SERVICES...

BUT AFTER TREATING A FOREIGN PATIENT...

AND WE SAW THE RISE OF TWO GREAT POWERS IN THE MOUTH OF THE GIRL
THEY SOON ANNEXED ABORIGINAL TRIBES
UGH! DON'T TOUCH ME!
SHO SHOM-SHING!
WAR FINALLY BROKE OUT
UUURGHHH
THE BACTERIA BEGAN DE-VELOPING THE ATOMIC BOMB
WITH THE TECHNO-LOGICAL ADVANCE-MENT OF THE UNITED STATES
A TREATMENT WAS MADE INVOLVING AMERICAN CARIES


WELL SPOKEN!
STOP FIGHTING US AND GIVE US A HAND!
IF WE CONTINUE LIKE THIS, WE WILL ALL DIE!


CARIOUS TEETH TURNED INTO ROCKETS AND WENT ON TO CONQUER THE STARS
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END

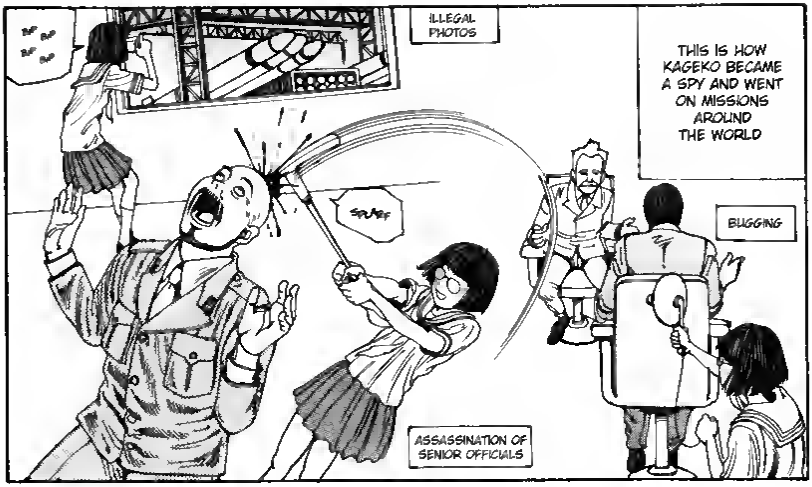
THE GIRL NOBODY NOTICED

HUH ?
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN IN LOVE WITH YOU!
HEY, SUGIURA! READ THIS LETTER!
WHAT?! AM I THAT INCONSPICUOUS ?!
SORRY, DOESN'T RING ANY BELLS
EH?!
IT'S ME, KAGEKO USUBA! WE'RE IN THE SAME CLASS!
YOU'RE WHO AGAIN ?
AH, YOU WERE HERE, KAGEKO? I DIDN'T BRING A DRINK FOR YOU...
THE PARENTS OF LITTLE KAGEKO USUBA ARE ASKED TO PICK HER UP...
I DIDN'T NOTICE
WUSH
WC
UHH, I WAS HERE FIRST...
HUH? SHE'S NO LONGER HERE?
IT'S TRUE NO ONE HAS EVER PAID ATTENTION TO ME...

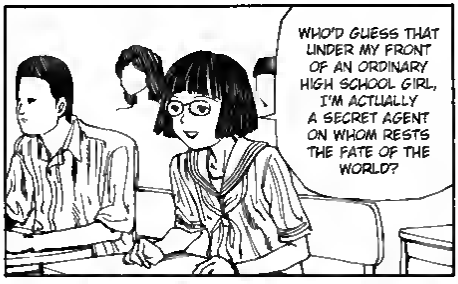
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OF DULLNESS
FIRST PRIZE 5 MILLION YEN
WHAT'S THIS?
HM?
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I NEED! I'M GOING TO WIN THE FIRST PRIZE AND PARTY AT A GIGOLO BAR!!
WE HAVE DEVISED ALL KINDS OF TESTS TO FIND THE MOST INSIGNIFICANT PERSON
I NOW DECLARE THE ELEVENTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OF DULLNESS OPEN!
TO QUALIFY, PARTICIPANTS MUST SHOW THEIR INABILITY TO BE DETECTED BY MOTION SENSORS!
FIRST TEST, AUTOMATIC FAUCETS!
BUT
AH...

CANDIDATES MUST BUMP INTO AS MANY DOORS AS POSSIBLE TO STAY IN THE RACE!
THIRD TEST AUTOMATIC DOORS!
BAM
OW!
TO SCORE POINTS, COMPETITORS MUST FAIL TO BUY A TICKET!
SECOND ROUND: TOUCH SCREENS!
EH?
I'VE BEEN HERE FOR 20 MINUTES!
I SEE THAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN ELIMINATED
UNFORTUNATELY
MOVING TO THE NEXT PHASE OF THE COMPETITION
STEAL AS MANY ARTICLES AS POSSIBLE FROM A SUPERMARKET UNDER SURVEILLANCE FROM PLAINCLOTHES DETECTIVES
DEMONSTRATING HER INNATE TALENT TO BE COMPLETELY IGNORED, KAGEKO FINISHED WITHOUT PENALTY IN ALL EVENTS.
STAND STILL WITHOUT GETTING HIT BY THE BALL EVEN ONCE

NO WINNER THIS YEAR
BUT I'M HERE, DAMMIT!
YEE-HAW! I WON!
AND THE FINAL CHALLENGE
SPEND HALF AN HOUR IN A BATHHOUSE FOR MEN WITHOUT GETTING NOTICED
CONGRATULATIONS!
IN FACT, WE'D LIKE TO OFFER YOU...
HELL YEAH!
EXCUSE ME?
IN FACT, THIS COMPETITION IS ONLY A FACADE THAT ALLOWS US TO RECRUIT FUTURE SPIES!
ARE YOU WILLING TO WORK FOR THE SECRET SERVICE?
IN THIS BUSINESS, IT IS ESSENTIAL
...NEVER TO GET NOTICED!


ILLEGAL PHOTOS
THIS IS HOW KAGEKO BECAME A SPY AND WENT ON MISSIONS AROUND THE WORLD
SPLAT
BUGGING
ASSASSINATION OF SENIOR OFFICIALS

SUGIURA


WHO'D GUESS THAT UNDER MY FRONT OF AN ORDINARY HIGH SCHOOL GIRL, I'M ACTUALLY A SECRET AGENT ON WHOM RESTS THE FATE OF THE WORLD?

WHAT IF I TOOK A BATH ?
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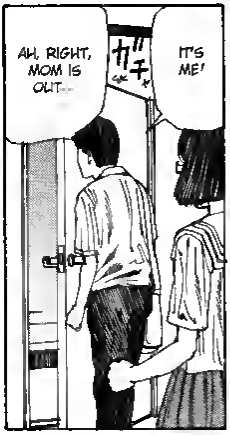
AH, RIGHT, MOM IS OUT...
IT'S ME!

HEHEHE! I'M THE BEST SPY WHO EVER EXISTED! NO ONE CAN SPOT ME!

HUHUHU! ALWAYS BEING IGNORED HAS ITS PERKS!
AH!
I DIDN'T GET NOTICED BUT HIS BODY REACTS INSTINCTIVELY TO MY PRESENCE!
PERFECT, HE WON'T SUSPECT ANYTHING!
IT'S NOW OR NEVER!

DON'T BE SILLY! MEN ARE ALWAYS READY FOR ACTION!
WELL, YOU SURE SEEM EXCITED TO SEE ME!
AH, WAKABA!
WHAT?!
PEEK-A-BOO! I WENT TO SEE HOW YOU WERE DOING!
SUGIURA'S CHILDHOOD SWEETHEART
GOD-DAMN ASS-HOLE!
TRY TO IGNORE THIS!!
BUT... BUT WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
THAT'S N
IT'S ALRIGHT! I'LL HELP YOU RELAX AS USUAL.
...BUT NOBODY NOTICED
DAZED, KAGEKO THEN WANDERED THROUGH THE CITY, COVERED IN BLOOD FROM HEAD TO TOE...

END

AFTERWORD
BY SHINTARO KAGO

DISINTEGRATION OF A FACE
I DREW THIS SERIES FOR THE GEHENN ANTHOLOGY, PUBLISHED BY A MAIL ORDER WEBSITE FOR BOOKS AND UNDERGROUND CDS. THEY ALSO SELL ACCESSORIES I MADE, LIKE FIGURINES OF CORPSES.

TUBES
THIS SERIES HAS BEEN DESIGNED FOR AN EXHIBITION IN THE UNITED STATES.

RUBIK'S CUBE
THIS STORY IS CONTAINED IN THE ORANG ANTHOLOGY, PUBLISHED IN GERMANY. ALTHOUGH IT'S ONLY FOUR PAGES LONG, IT TOOK AN INSANE AMOUNT OF TIME TIME TO DRAW.

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF URBAN LEGENDS
THIS STORY IS CONTAINED IN THE BOOK "DARUMA ONNA NO EPPUKU" (THE DELIGHTS OF THE SUBMISSION OF AMPUTEE GIRLS). THE BOOK MAINLY HAD EROTIC PICTURES OF (FALSE) AMPUTEE GIRLS AND ARTICLES AND WAS TO BE THE FIRST IN A SERIES DEVOTED TO THIS THEME. I DON'T KNOW IF IT MUST BE INFERRED THAT THIS IS ONLY A NICHE MARKET, BUT IN THE END NO FURTHER ISSUES WERE PUBLISHED.

CHANGE
THIS STORY WAS PUBLISHED IN THE FREE MAGAZINE "VICE", WHICH IS DISTRIBUTED WORLDWIDE. I ALSO DREW THE COVER OF THE ISSUE IN QUESTION, WHICH ALSO CONTAINED AN INTERVIEW WITH ME.

ONE-PAGE-STORIES AND ILLUSTRATIONS
THESE WERE PUBLISHED IN "VICE" AFTER "CHANGE", ONE PER ISSUE. I DREW ILLUSTRATIONS FOR THE FIRST YEAR, AND ONE-PAGE-STORIES THE FOLLOWING YEAR, TO KEEP THINGS INTERESTING. UNFORTUNATELY, THE JAPANESE VERSION OF VICE STOPPED PUBLICATION.

NO PARKING, CARIES, THE GIRL NOBODY NOTICED
THESE SHORT STORIES HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED BIMONTHLY IN "UBU MODE", A PORN MAGAZINE THAT PUBLISHES PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY ITS READERS. THEY GAVE ME TOTAL CREATIVE FREEDOM, PROVIDED THAT THE MAIN CHARACTER IS A GIRL AND THAT THERE IS SEX. BUT IN MY STORIES, SEX IS ALWAYS PRESENT IN AN ANECDOTAL MANNER...

THE STRETCHER RALLEY AND OTHER FOUR-PAGE-STORIES
THESE STORIES APPEARED IN "AX", WHERE I CAN UNLEASH MY EXPERIMENTAL DESIRES AND DRAW WHAT I CAN'T DO ELSEWHERE. ONCE I PUBLISHED THIS TYPE OF MANGA IN "COMIC COTTON", BUT THIS MAGAZINE HAS ALSO CEASED TO APPEAR

CHANGE AND *RUBIK'S CUBE* ARE TO BE READ IN THE WESTERN READING DIRECTION PLEASE CONTINUE AT PAGE 160!

END

HERE, DOLL!
THEY CHANGED!
A PRETTY CHICK!
WESTI
Slllide
Slllide
Slllide
Slllide
OUTSIDE
COME
SETTLE
DRINK
HERE'S
DOLL
Combat
A PRETTY
CHICK
STOP
Psh

COME ON, DRINK!
WHAT?
HERE'S A PRETTY SNACK!
GO OUTSIDE! LET'S SETTLE THIS BETWEEN MEN!
PLAF !
COME HERE, DOLL!
MMOOO!
PSHUUU
PSHUUU

COME ON, DRINK!
WHAT?
HERE'S A PRETTY CHICK!
STOP RIGHT THERE!
NOOOO!
COME HERE, DOLL!
GO OUTSIDE! LET'S SETTLE THIS BETWEEN MEN!
PSHUUUUUUUU
THEY CHANGED!
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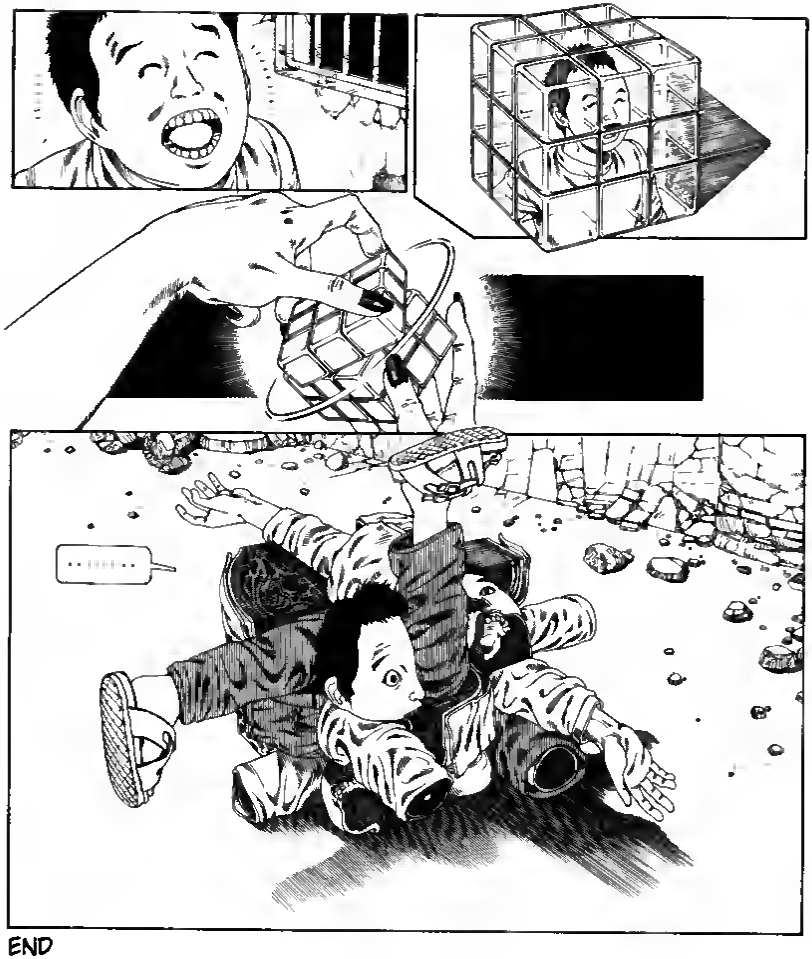

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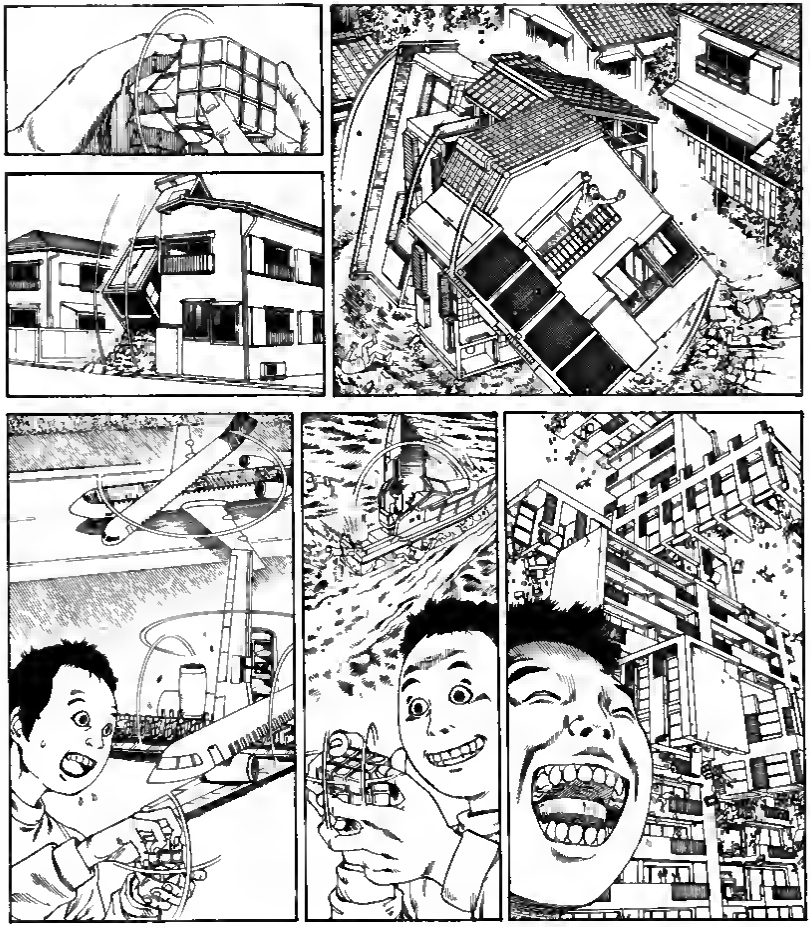

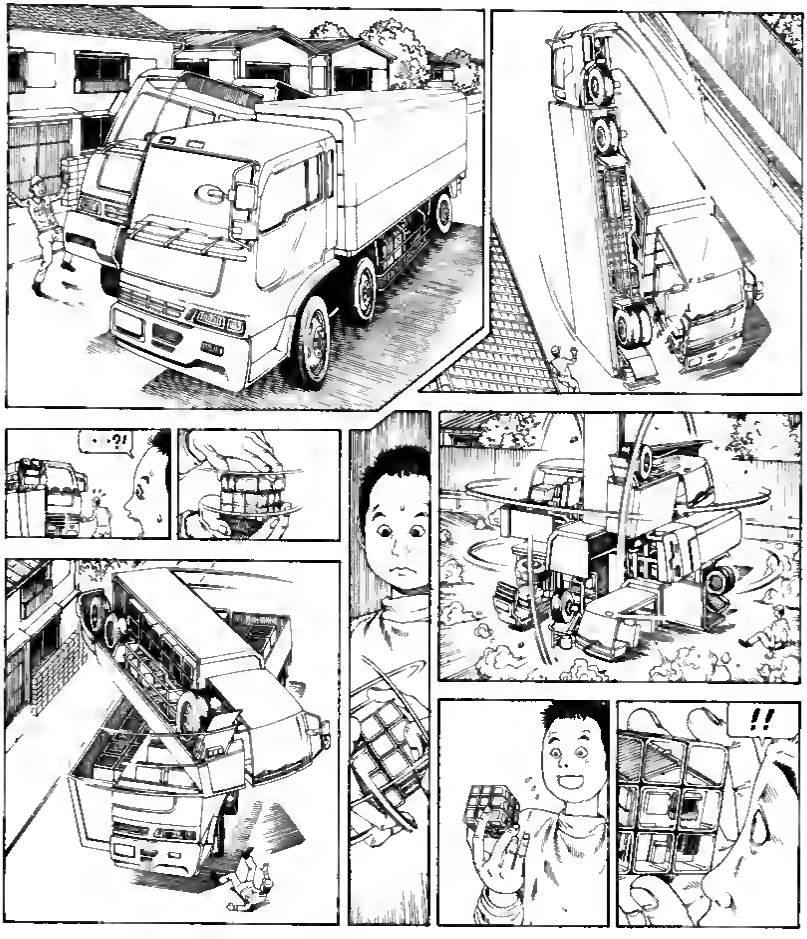

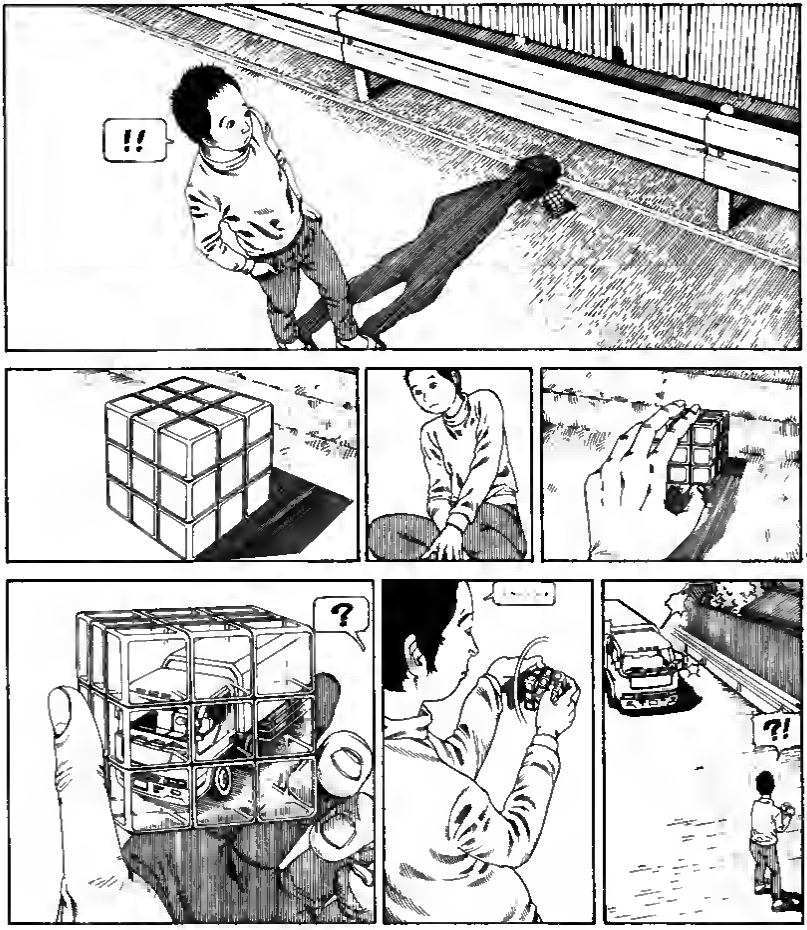

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